

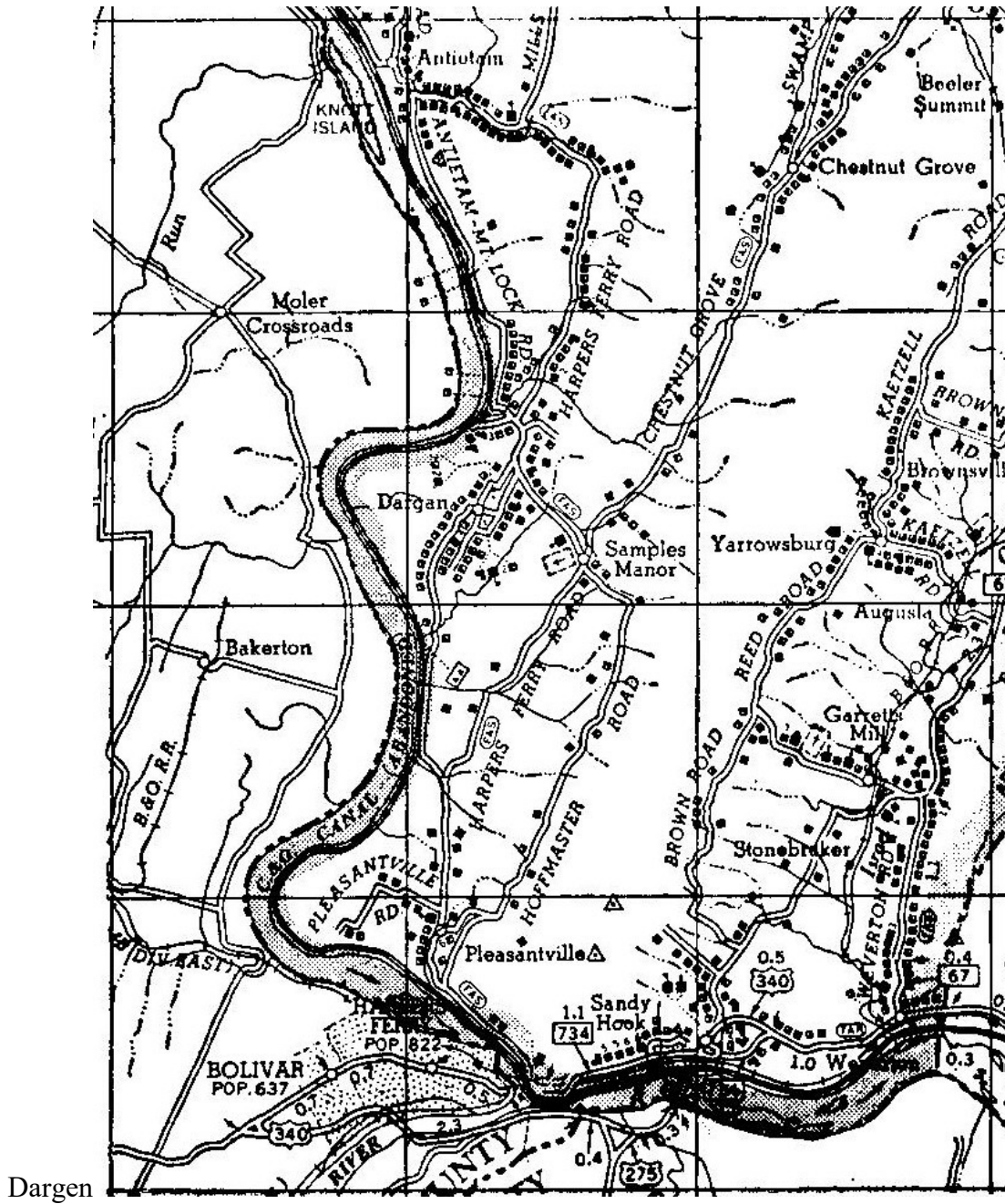
WALSH/WELSH & FLANAGAN FAMILY HISTORY

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The above map portion was taken from an undated Washington County, Maryland road map distributed Courtesy of DELPHEY'S, Hagerstown, Md. Readers will see Antietam, Moler Crossroads, Dargan, Bakerton and Harper's Ferry (pop. 822) which are part of this story.

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PREFACE

This WALSH FAMILY HISTORY was built upon the family records compiled by Kaila A. Welsh-Lamp. Her collection forms the basic structure of this family history. An effort was undertaken to verify and amplify the family history as regards their involvement with the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. Of course, if another person has the interest and resources to develop this family history before or after their Chesapeake and Ohio Canal days, that information would be welcome. A family history may have many authors.

All photographs are from the Kaila A. Walsh-Lamp Collection, unless otherwise footnoted. Readers are encouraged to visit the family website: www.welshofharpersferry.com for additional information.

The table of vital statistics for the two families at the end of this Report was initially built from the Kaila A. Walsh-Lamp Collection. The interchangeable use of the surname Walsh or Welsh occurs in the historical data. We will need to search for both. When obituaries, wills, family bibles, birth announcements, obituaries or tombstones were found, the data was refined. Thus, the data in the table is believed to be the most accurate.

We hope the readers will find the story interesting and contact either of us with additional information or corrections.

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Feeder Dam No. 3 was first built in 1799 to feed the armory at Harper's Ferry. The dam was rebuilt in 1809 and 1820. It was eventually modified to supply water to the Chesapeake and Ohio canal through Inlet Lock 3 beginning in 1833. We note Lock 35, upstream from Dam No. 3, was built in the period June 1832 to October 1834; Lock No. 36 was built in the period July 1833 to Nov. 1834.¹ The quarries that were most likely used to build these locks were Knott's Quarry on the Virginia shore about 1/3 of a mile above Lock 37, a limestone quarry near the canal 1-3/4 miles below Lock No. 37, a quarry 1/2 mile from Lock No. 37 in Maryland, and a limestone quarry on the Virginia shore opposite Lock No. 38. The stone from these quarries was boated down the river, slack water navigation behind Dam No. 3, thru Inlet Lock 3, and then taken by wagon upstream to the lock construction sites.² After the canal was opened to Harper's Ferry in Nov. 1833, the boats freighting lime from Virginia, could pass on down to Georgetown. The canal was opened to Hancock circa 1839. The two Maryland quarries could then boat their lime or limestone down the canal after 1839.

Martin Walsh was born between 1811 and 1814, in Lusmagh parish, Offaly (King's) County, Leinster, Ireland, to Patrick and Honora Walsh. The Welsh family emigrated from Ireland in the early 1830's to Harper's Ferry, which is eerily similar to Lusmagh parish in both landscape and industry. The closest real town to the Lusmagh parish is the town of Tullamore – a location which apparently had a resident renown canal engineer who built the canal there. Family lore has it that back in Ireland, the Welsh's would boat limestone through the canal on the Shannon river there. In other words, they were quarrymen familiar with canal boating.

Martin Welsh is believed to be recorded in the 1840 census, age 38, as the head of the household, working as a laborer.³ There was one woman living with him, presumably his mother.

A George Reynolds, Sr. started a quarry at River Bend, date unknown. When George Reynolds, Jr., sold the property in 1842, the sale included three large flat boats for boating stone. In 1842, the canal boat *James Rumsey*, with Capt. Knott, made seven trips to Georgetown, freighting flour, wheat, nails and limestone. Capt. Knott would have been freighting for Jefferson county farmers and merchants. Also, in 1842, the canal boat *Martha Frances*, with Capt. Flanagan, made nine trips to Georgetown, freighting limestone. Trips for both boats originated at Inlet Lock No. 3, suggesting that they had locked through to the West Virginia [Virginia] shore, and then gone up the flood-plain towpath, to the Flanagan quarry and loaded there. The flood-plain towpath was and remains visible today although summer houses and camping trailers are scattered along the route and are visible from the Maryland shore. Samuel Knott purchased the quarry in 1845 and 1846 and started shipping lime to Knott's lime kiln in Georgetown. He continued to quarry lime until his death in 1871-2. Then the Knott heirs and the Moler family formed a new company which continued to quarry lime and freight it to Georgetown until circa 1922.

Martin's only known child, Michael Welsh, was born March 5, 1846 in West Virginia, per the 1900 census.

¹ *Historic Resource Study: Chesapeake & Ohio Canal*, by Harlan D. Unrau, Aug. 2007, available from the C. & O. Canal National Historical Park, Hagerstown, Md., p. 232.

² *Ibid*, p. 161.

³ 1840 U. S. Census, Virginia, Jefferson County, enumerated 7/24/1840.

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The following table summarizes the many trips canal boats were making in the indicated years, mostly freighting limestone, although occasionally freighting farm products.

Boat Name	M.P.	1842	1845	1846	1847	1848	1849	1850	1851
Gen. Butler	62			12			1	20	8
Martha Frances	62	9		12	6			16	22
Edward Payson	62			13			1	21	29
William Jackson	62			12			1	18	27
Daniel Webster	62		1		3			5	14
Chesapeake	62								18
Thomas Jefferson	62	1							19
Capt. Walker	69			11	9	1		17	25
Buena Vista	69			2				4	14

Mile Post [M.P.] 69 was at Knott's Island, where there was a limestone quarry, opposite Antietam Creek. Thomas S. Hahn describes the area: "*This is Wade's Landing, frequently referred to as Shaffer's Landing, popular with fishermen and boatmen. Limestone for Godey's Limekiln on lower Rock Creek in Georgetown was boated across Potomac after quarrying on Knott's Island opposite.*"⁴



The above National Park Service undated photo shows the feeder lock and canal at Dam No. 3, above Harper's Ferry, with mule crossover bridge in the background.⁵ This is identified as M.P. 62, the point of origin of boats entering the canal from West Virginia, for toll purposes.

⁴ *TOWPATH GUIDE to the C & O CANAL*, by Thomas H. Hahn, ©1992, p. 118.

⁵ *Ibid*, p. 113.

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Canal boat *Gen. Butler* was registered on 4/1/1851 to Samuel Knott, of Jefferson Co., as Class D, length 83'-6", beam 14'-4", draft empty 12" and draft loaded 42".

Canal boat *Martha Frances* was registered on 4/4/1851 to James Flanagan, of Jefferson Co., as Class D, length 85', beam 14'-4", draft empty 14" and draft loaded 36".

Canal boat *Edward Payson* was registered on 4/3/1851 to W. M. Furman, of Jefferson Co., as Class D, length 85', beam 13'-8", draft empty 8" and draft loaded 35".

Canal boat *William Jackson* was registered on 4/10/1851 to Samuel Knott, of Jefferson Co., as Class C, length 86', beam 14'-2", draft empty 12" and draft loaded 48".

Canal boat *Chesapeake* was registered on 4/28/1851 to James Flanagan, of Jefferson Cop., as Class D, length 84', beam 14'-5", draft empty 15" and draft loaded 42".

Canal boat *Thomas Jefferson* was registered on 5/15/1851 to Samuel Knott, of Jefferson Co., as Class C, length 89'-6", beam 14'-6", draft empty 12" and draft loaded 60".

The boats probably made more trips; we just haven't found the documentation. There were several other boats operating in the same time frame which carried lime or limestone on occasion, but they also carried grains or barrels of flour on their trips and thus were not included in the above tabulation. Clearly the Knott and Flanagan quarries were quite busy from 1842 through 1851.



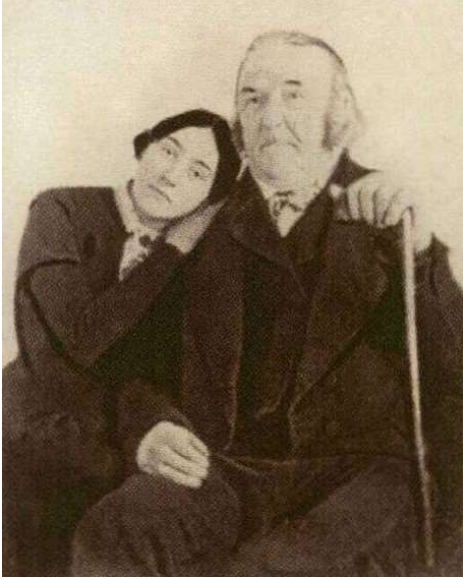
The adjacent photograph was taken before 1920 of the Standard Lime & Stone Co.'s south quarry with horse-drawn stone carts.⁶ This quarry was originally the William Flanagan Quarry, located opposite Dargan Bend [M.P. 65], and located by a swerve in Bakerton Road on the 1852 map.⁷ William Flanagan died in 1855 and his estate was assigned in Dower to

his wife, Martha Flanagan. At her death in 1870 the estate was passed to the possession of the heirs at law, who in turn on Jan. 31, 1901 sold the property [two parcels containing 36 acres and 21 square perches] to Washington Building and Lime Company, in consideration of \$1,083.93, cash in hand. That company subsequently became the Standard Lime & Stone Company. The quarry is no longer operational and is now [2018] heavily overgrown with trees and brush. We are getting ahead of the story.

⁶ *Jefferson County Historic Landmarks Commission.*

⁷ *Map of Jefferson County Virginia*, by S. Howell Brown, dated 1852.

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The 1850 census reported that William Flanagan, age 65, a farmer born in Ireland with real estate valued at \$11,200 was living in dwelling 659, District 28, which is Harper's Ferry, Jefferson County, Virginia.⁸ Living with him were: Martha, age 63, wife; and Ann, age 16, daughter. The adjacent photograph, taken circa 1850, is of William Flanagan and his daughter, Ann Rebecca Flanagan. He was blind at the time. Ann Flanagan subsequently married Dennis M. Daniels on May 24, 1852, and together they had one daughter. We are getting ahead of the story again.

William and Martha Flanagan's son, James Flanagan, age 41, a boatman, lived in dwelling 660, with: Frances, age 42, wife; Laura, age 13, daughter; Martha, age 11, daughter; Mary, age 9, daughter; William, age 7, son;

James, age 5, son; and John, age 1, son. Their daughter, Nancy Rebecca, was born on Feb. 27, 1846 and died an infant on Sept. 17, 1846, and thus was not counted in the 1850 census.

And just a few houses away, at dwelling 664, was Martin Welsh, age 36, a laborer born in Ireland with: Honora, age 60, mother; Patrick, age 30, brother, laborer; James, age 23, brother; Thomas, age 18, brother; Michael, age 4, son; Ann, age 16, sister; Batt, age 12, brother; and William Jackson, age 27, an unrelated laborer.

And further away in dwelling 1831 lived Joseph Dowling, age 34, born in England, a boatman, with real estate valued at \$3,000.⁹ He lived there with his wife, Josephine E. Gibson Dowling, age 28, born in D.C.; daughter Virginia, age 8, born in Maryland; daughter Josephine, age 5, born in D. C.; and son, Thomas, age 1, born in [West] Virginia.

Then in dwelling 1920 lived John A. Gibson, age 35, born in D. C., a boatman.¹⁰ He lived there with Anna Gibson, age 17, [daughter?] born in Virginia; Isaac Gregory, age 61, a manufacturer, born in Maryland; Jane Morgan, age 22, born in Virginia; Charles Conn, age 21, black, born in Virginia; and Robert Williams, age 26, black, born in Virginia. No relationships to John A. Gibson were listed. The canal boat *James F. Essex* was registered on 4/5/1851 and the canal boat *J. F. Wheatley* was registered on 3/31/1852; both by John A. Gibson. He subsequently died circa 1853.

William Flanagan purchased a 377 acre tract adjoining Knott's Quarry on the south in 1849, making his total holdings at 400 acres. William Flanagan had two canal boats, *Laura Flanagan* and *Mary A. Flanagan*. We can verify that the *Laura Flanagan* carried corn, oats, &c. from White's Ferry to Georgetown on 3/16/1854; then on 3/27/1854, 4/1/1854 and 4/8/1854 the *Laura Flanagan* brought limestone from Dam No. 3 [62 miles].

⁸ 1850 U. S. Census, Virginia, Jefferson County, District 28, enumerated 7/24/1850, p. 31.

⁹ 1850 U. S. Census, Virginia, Jefferson County, District 28, enumerated 10/4/1850, p. 25.

¹⁰ 1850 U. S. Census, Virginia, Jefferson County, Harpers Ferry, enumerated 10/14/1850, p. 42.

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In Dec. 1850, William Flanagan placed the following advertisement: “**FARM FOR RENT** – I will rent to a good tenant for the next year, the Farm on which I now reside, on the Potomac river, and near to Zion Church, Jefferson county. There are **250 Acres** of arable Land, in good order and condition, and such terms as can be had as will make it desirable, to anyone wanting to rent.

Dec. 31, 1850 – 4 t.

WILLIAM FLANAGAN”¹¹

On April 3, 1851, S. Bartoming and J. G. Kecteoly of Jefferson Co., Va. registered the canal boat *Diana* hailing out of Potomac Mills, as Class D, length 77’ - 2”, beam 13’ - 10½”, draft empty 10” and draft loaded 34”. The canal boat was re-registered on July 20, 1852 by John Wolf, the new owner. The canal boat had made at least two trips in 1846 freighting cement from the Round Top Cement works west of Hancock. The same boat made at least six trips in 1850; three freighting cement from the Round Top Cement works and three freighting barrels of flour. Her first two trips in 1851 were from Shepherdstown while the trip on Nov. 20, 1851, under the new owner, John Wolf, was again for Round Top Cement. We observe the inception of a business freighting cement in barrels by Jefferson Co. residents, in addition to the already established business of freighting lime, limestone and grain, by other residents.

The canal boat *Capt. Walker*, arrived in Alexandria with lime-stone to Thomas & Dyer.¹² Later that year the canal boats *Martha Francis* and *Captain Walker*, arrived in Alexandria with limestone to Thomas & Dyer.¹³ In May the canal boat *Wm. Jackson*, with Capt. Knott, arrived in Alexandria with limestone to Francis & Maxwell and boat *Edward Payson*, with Capt. McMurren, arrived with limestone to Thomas & Dyer.¹⁴

The Executor’s Sale of the property of John A. Gibson, was held on Thur. Sept. 8, 1853, to include two new and splendid **CANAL BOATS**, known on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal as the *Wheatley* and *Essex*. These boats had been used but a short time by the deceased and were in excellent order. They were the largest class boats, carrying 120 tons with great convenience. They had just been painted in complete style and presented a magnificent appearance. They were then lying at Harpers Ferry, where they could be seen by anyone desiring to examine them.¹⁵ The *J. F. Wheatley* and *James F. Essex* were subsequently registered on 11/24/1853 by R. H. Hoffman. Both canal boats being bought at the above Executor’s Sale, after the death of John A. Gibson.

A newspaper carried the following advertisement: “**TO CAPITALISTS, ARCHITECTS, BUILDERS**, and all interested in a superior article of **LIME** for building, hard finish, cornices, chemical, and white-washing purposes, &c.

“**SEELY’S WASHINGTON LIME**, manufactured in Seely’s Excelsior Patent Lime Kiln, at the corner of Virginia avenue and Canal street, (Island). The rock from which this lime is manufactured is from the best quarries in this section of the country, viz: Knott’s, Flannagan’s

¹¹ *Spirit of Jefferson*, Charles Town, Va., Tuesday, 1/21/1851, p. 1.

¹² *Alexandria Gazette*, Alexandria, Va., newspaper, Tuesday, 3/11/1851, p. 2.

¹³ *Alexandria Gazette*, Alexandria, Va., newspaper, Monday, 3/24/1851, p. 2.

¹⁴ *Alexandria Gazette*, Alexandria, Va., newspaper, Thursday, 5/1/1851, p. 2.

¹⁵ *Spirit of Jefferson*, Charles Town, Va., newspaper, Tue., 8/23/1853, p. 3.

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Snyder's and Wade's. The Lime is pure wood-burnt and is drawn fresh from the kiln every hour during the twenty-four, and for sale at EIGHTY CENTS per barrel; barrels to be returned."¹⁶ From the above advertisement we surmise one of the customers for the Knott and Flanagan lime.

As was mentioned earlier, William Flanagan died in Sept. 1855; the land was divided, for operational purposes, between his two sons; his wife, Martha, keeping her Dower rights. William's son, James Flanagan, was responsible for the quarrying operations. Thomas B. Walsh bought a "spotted hog" for \$5.25 on nine months credit at the estate sale of William Flanagan, held by son and estate administrator, James Flanagan, on Jan. 10, 1856. The first choice "fat" hog was sold to William Osbourne for \$13.75. Osbourne also bought the second and third choice "fat" hogs for \$11.12-1/2 and \$9.12-1/2, respectively. By looking at the appraisal of the estate, it is likely that the hog Thomas bought was the Flanagan's brood sow.

James was killed by one of his workmen on Aug. 13, 1856 and most of the quarry tools were purchased at the estate auction by John L. Knott, a son of Samuel Knott. Samuel Knott also bought the canal boats *Laura Flanagan* and *Mary A. Flanagan* at the estate auction. The Flanagan Quarry continued to be a family operated business for many years thereafter.

In June 1855 a newspaper ad: "**HYDRAULIC CEMENT – MANUFACTURED AT THE POTOMAC MILLS**, near *Shepherdstown, Va.* – 200 barrels of the above celebrated Cement just received, for sale at lowest market prices, by **GIBSON & CO.**, 7 North Charles, St."¹⁷

THE POTOMAC MILLS
FROM this date will be conducted with the aid of Mr. MAPHENY—a very competent Miller—by the undersigned.
They pledge themselves to give in return for every three hundred pounds of pure and merchantable Wheat received, a Barrel of super-fine Flour, of the standard of any of the Eastern markets. They pledge themselves responsible for any reduction made by the Inspector.
Wheat that is musty or has much garlick in it will be manufactured into flour by itself of standard quality independent of odour or taste—but they will not be responsible for any reduction upon inspection.
Corn, Rye, &c. will be promptly ground in any manner that the customer may direct.
They further offer to deliver the Flour of customers in Georgetown, D. C., whilst the Canal is navigable, free of cost of freight, till the price declines, per bbl., below \$7.
LEVI MOLER, Lessee.
I. H. TAYLOR, Gen'l Agent.
July 14, 1855. 34—2m

The adjacent advertisement started on July 14 and continued weekly until at least Sep. 1, 1855.¹⁸ Note: the Potomac Mills would grind wheat, corn, rye, &c. in addition to cement. One of the benefits of patronizing The Potomac Mills was free shipping to Georgetown, D.C. whilst the Canal was navigable, till the price declines, per barrel, below \$7.00.

Martin Walsh died on Sept. 18, 1855, aged 42 years; an obituary remains to be found. He was buried in Harper's Ferry, W. Va. in St. Peter's Cemetery in the Welsh family plot.

Thomas B. Walsh married Annie Gertrude Murphy in St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Harper's Ferry, Va., in 1859. They had a total of 8 children together.

¹⁶ *Daily Evening Star*, Washington, D. C., newspaper, January 12, 1854, p. 1.

¹⁷ *Baltimore Sun*, Baltimore, Md., newspaper, Thursday, 6/21/1855, p. 3.

¹⁸ *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 7/14/1855.

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The 1860 census reported Thomas Welsh, age 28, a laborer, living in 28th District, i.e. downtown Harper's Ferry.¹⁹ Living with him were: Ann, age 21, wife; John, age 1, son; Elizabeth Slavin, age 8, relation unknown; Michael Welsh, age 15, his nephew, [son of his brother Martin Walsh]; and William Jackson, age 40, a laborer, relation unknown.

The Civil War began on April 12, 1861.

In Oct. 1863, Thomas Welsh, born in Ireland, 30 years old on July 1, 1863, married, registered for the Civil War Draft, from 2nd Congressional District, 3rd Magisterial District, W. Va. He was a railroad repairer.

Michael Welsh enlisted in the 20th Regiment, Virginia Cavalry, Company D, which held off Union troops in the Engle Switch, Uvilla and Molers Crossroads areas near Bakerton. Michael is also listed as being part of Company K, 20th Cavalry Regiment, which organized in August 1863 and was composed of "North Western Virginians." The unit served in W. L. Jackson's Brigade and confronted the Federals in western Virginia and in the Shenandoah Valley. It disbanded in mid-April, 1865. The field officers were: Col. W. W. Arnett, Lt. Cols. Dudley Evans and John B. Lady, and Major Elihu Hutton. Michael Welsh's regiment served under Captain John S. Knott, comprised of men from the Molers Crossroads area.²⁰

The Civil War ended on April 9, 1865.

In Oct. of 1865 a newspaper ran the following ad: "**PUBLIC SALE OF VALUABLE MILL PROPERTY, WATER POWER, HYDRAULIC CEMENT QUARRIES, ETC.** – *Near Shepherdstown, Jefferson County, Virginia.* – By virtue of a deed of trust to the undersigned, bearing date the 12th day of May, 1847, and recorded in the Court of the County of Jefferson, will be offered at public sale, in front of the Town Hall, in Shepherdstown, on SATURDAY, the 7th of October next, that very desirable Property upon the south bank of the Potomac, one mile below Shepherdstown, known as the "POTOMAC MILLS," including the Mill Lot of about fifteen acres, and all its valuable appurtenances. The WATER POWER belonging to this property is one of the most extensive in the State, comprising, as it does, the full force of the Potomac river by means of a dam 700 feet in length, built against a ledge of rock which extends at right angles across the bed of the river, constituting thereby an indestructible natural dam of itself, and affording the best possible foundation for such a superstructure.

"**THE HYDRAULIC CEMENT QUARRIES** – Upon the premises are convenient to the kilns, and capable of supplying an unlimited amount of that Mineral of the very best quality.

"Although the buildings have nearly all been destroyed during the recent war – the Merchant Mill, Cement Factory, Saw Mill, &c., having been burnt in the summer of 1861 – the walls of the principal part of them remain without material injury, being of the most substantial character; those, for instance, of the Merchant Mill being one hundred feet long by fifty wide, three stories high, of brick, three feet thick at their base, and eighteen inches at top, resting upon a limestone foundation six feet thick, built upon arches sprung on solid rock.

¹⁹ 1860 U. S. Census, Virginia, Jefferson County, District 28, enumerated 6/29/1860.

²⁰ *Military Operations in Jefferson County, Virginia and West Va. 1861-1865*, digitized re-print, Jefferson County Camp U. V. C., Farmers Advocate, Print 1911.

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“By means of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal and the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, every facility is afforded for transportation to and from this property, which, from its situation in the fertile Valley of the Shenandoah, is admirable located in every respect of the establishment of a manufacturing village and is well worth the attention of enterprising capitalists. Terms cash.

“For particulars in regard to the above property apply to
HENRY BERRY, Trustee
GIBSON & CO.
7 North Charles St., Balt.”²¹

Later that month a newspaper reported: “**VIRGINIA AFFAIRS** – The Potomac Mills, with fifteen acres of land attached, near Shepherdstown, formerly owned by Hon. A. R. Boteler, were sold at public sale, on Saturday, to Charles Gibson, of Baltimore city, for the sum of \$9,500. It is said that it is the intention of the purchaser to make the property a large manufacturing establishment.”²²

In 1866 a newspaper reported: “**The Potomac Mills.** - We understand that a number of our enterprising capitalists have associated themselves together for the purpose of forming a company and purchasing the Potomac Mills property, near Shepherdstown, Va. These Mills were celebrated before the war but have stood idle ever since the outbreak of hostilities. The new company, after making all necessary repairs and improvements, intend to engage largely in the manufacture of flour, lime and cement, the material of the latter article being regarded as the finest in the United States. We are pleased to hear of this practical development of the resources of our surrounding country, and chronicle with pleasure the spirit of our citizens in engaging in such enterprises. - *Washington Star*.

“The foregoing paragraph, from a late Washington paper, refers to an enterprise which will unquestionably be of immense advantage to the interests of our community. Having been aware for some months past, that a gentlemen of this place has been quietly but energetically at work perfecting a plan for the permanent improvement of the magnificent water power at Potomac Mills in this vicinity, we are very happy to have it in our power to corroborate the above statement of his success in securing the co-operation of a number of enterprising capitalists, who are not only public spirited men of means, but also for the most part, of practical experience in various departments of operative industry, and who are determined to develop the capabilities of the property to the utmost extent of its capacity.”²³

William M. Flanagan, in consideration of \$800, bought a canal boat named “*James Flanagan, Sr.*” on April 3, 1867.²⁴ The boat was registered on 3/10/1873, hailing out of Harper’s Ferry, as Class D, length 90’, beam 14’, draft empty 14” and draft loaded 54”; owner not specified.

In 1868, the following advertisement was placed: “**LIME!** – The undersigned have commenced burning Lime, at the quarry of Samuel Knott, five miles east of Shepherdstown, and will keep Lime constantly on hand, which they will sell low for Cash.

April 4, 1868 – 3 m. SAMUEL M. KNOTT & BRO.”²⁵

²¹ *Baltimore Sun*, Baltimore, Md., newspaper, Thursday, 10/5/1865, p. 3.

²² *Baltimore Clipper*, Baltimore, Md., newspaper, Wednesday, 10/18/1865, p. 2.

²³ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 9/22/1866, p. 2.

²⁴ Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, Md., Deed Book 25, p. 487, recorded 4/10/1867.

²⁵ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., Saturday, 4/18/1868, p. 3.

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In Jan. 1868 a newspaper had the following story: “**The Potomac Mills Mining and Cement Company** – A very large meeting of the stockholders of this company was held last night at the rooms of the Board of Trade, for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year. The following named gentlemen were elected: W. G. Metzertott, G. T. Morsell, Fitzhugh Coyle, John Collins, James W. Barker, W. W. Metcalf, A. R. Shepherd.

“The Potomac Mills are located on the Virginia bank of the Potomac, about 70 miles by canal from Georgetown, and one mile below Shepherdstown, Va., and previous to the war were in successful operation; but the buildings and machinery being destroyed during the progress of the rebellion, the work of rebuilding was abandoned by the former owners.

“About a year since several gentlemen of wealth and prominence in this city conceived the idea of purchasing the property and forming a joint stock company, and they have admirably succeeded, everything being paid for, the stockholders today numbering some forty gentlemen of large means and influence. Within the past year proper buildings have been constructed, and the necessary machinery introduced for the prosecution of some of the branches of the work, and in a short time everything will be in readiness for a full development of the important manufacturing business in which the company will engage.

“The manufacture of cement will be the chief business of the company for a short season, but it is confidently expected that during the next season, they will be able to turn out from 20,000 to 30,000 barrels. The Potomac Mills have great advantages over all other similar works in the country, and from all the information we can obtain, it is clear that the cement companies of New York are realizing handsome profits from their operations although the capital of the smallest company in Rosendale must be considerable more than \$10,000. The quality of the Potomac Mills cement, lately brought to market, is pronounced by competent builders and others as superior to any heretofore introduced here. In such hands as the present managers, there is no doubt but the stockholders will speedily realize handsome income from their investment.”²⁶

A few months later we read: “**WANTED** – An experienced MILLER wanted to go to Shepherdstown, Va., to take charge of the Cement Mill of the Potomac Mills Mining and Manufacturing company. Good recommendations will be required. Apply at the office of CLAGETT & SWEENEY, No. 4 Market Space.”²⁷

The information continued: “**Potomac Mills Cement** – We refer our builders to the advertisement of the Potomac Mills, Mining and Manufacturing Company. With much pleasure we again refer to the operations of this company, composed of some of our most substantial citizens. This Company organized about one year, have purchased the extensive cement quarries at Shepherdstown, Va., and have, during the last year, made extensive improvements, having in view supplying our city with cement and barrel staves. The cement formerly manufactured at these quarries had a reputation of being a very superior article, the present managers expect, with all the modern improvements in machines, &c., to produce an article inferior to none in the country. Their first boat load has arrived in Georgetown at Gunnell’s wharf, the depot of the Company. Our builders should encourage all enterprises of the kind. Every dollar kept home adds to the wealth of the city.”²⁸

²⁶ *Evening Star*, Washington, D. C., newspaper, Thursday, 1/23/1868, p. 4.

²⁷ *Evening Star*, Washington, D. C., newspaper, Monday, 3/30/1868, p. 2.

²⁸ *Evening Star*, Washington, D. C., newspaper, Monday, 5/4/1868, p. 5.

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In 1869, the canal boat *Elizabeth* made ten trips from mile post 69 [a.k.a. *Wade's Landing* or *Shaffer's Landing*] to W. Dowling in Georgetown, freighting limestone.²⁹ Other records indicate the limestone came from Knott Island [shown on the FRONTISPIECE], opposite the landing, was boated across the Potomac and thence down the canal. Antietam Village was an industrial center producing pig iron and nails, along with other finished products such as flour, shingles, hemp, barrels, &c.

The canal boat *Four Brothers* was registered to operate on the C. & O. Canal on 8/13/1867, hailing out of Spring Mill, W. Va., Class C, 88' long, 14' beam, 12" draft light, 48" draft loaded, owned by W. J. Knott & Bro., of Spring Mill, W. Va. In 1869, the canal boat *Four Brothers* made fifteen trips from M. P. 62 and two from M. P. 69, always freighting limestone, usually to W. H. Godey, but four times to Stephen D. Castleman, both in Georgetown.³⁰

The canal boat *George Moler* was registered to operate on the C. & O. Canal on 4/17/1866, hailing out of Spring Mill, W. Va., Class C, 88' long, 14'-1" beam, 11" draft light, 48" draft loaded, owned by Charles H. Knott & Bro., Jefferson Co., W. Va. In 1869, the canal boat *George Moler*, made sixteen trips from M. P. 62 and one from M. P. 69, always freighting limestone, usually to W. H. Godey, but five times to Stephen D. Castleman and twice to Allen, all in Georgetown.³¹

A registration for the canal boat *Henry Wade* has not been found. However, the canal boat *Henry Wade, Jr.*, was registered on 3/1/1873, hailing from Sharpsburg, Class B, 90' length, 14' beam, 14" draft light, 54" draft loaded, owned by Elias Wade & Bro., Sharpsburg, Md. In 1869, the canal boat *Henry Wade*, made five trips from M. P. 69, carrying limestone to Alexandria, Va.³² Presumably this was the same boat.

A registration for the canal boat *James Flanagan* has been mentioned above. In 1869 that canal boat made fifteen trips from M. P. 62 freighting limestone to W. H. Godey in Georgetown.³³ One additional trip was made for Stephen D. Castleman, freighting limestone, and one trip from M. P. 57 [Knoxville, Md.] freighting pig iron for George Waters, Georgetown.

We thus establish that in 1869 boating season, the lime quarries near Bakerton, W. Va. were busy. The Welsh and Flanagan men would have been working full time.

From a newspaper we found the following obituary: "Mrs. Martha Flanagan, widow of the late William Flanagan, died at her residence near Unionville, on Sunday afternoon last [10/23/1870], aged about 70 years. She had been confined to her bed from rheumatism for some years past, and a few weeks ago she fell from her bed, sustaining a fracture of one of her legs which, with old age, had a tendency to shorten her life. May she rest in peace!"³⁴

²⁹ *Register of Boats Passing Lock 5, March 18 to July 30, 1869*, available from www.candocanal.org.

³⁰ *Ibid.*

³¹ *Ibid.*

³² *Ibid.*

³³ *Ibid.*

³⁴ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., Saturday, 10/29/1870, p. 2.

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In Feb. 1870 a newspaper reported: “**At Work.** - The C. & O. Canal Company has been at work, during the past week, with a force of some 50 or 75 hands, repairing that portion of the Canal bank, a vacancy of about 250 feet, which was washed away during the recent high water, near the dam of the Potomac Mills, near this place. The cost of the repairs will be about \$5,000. They expect to have the work finished in about three weeks. On Monday last a portion of the laborers struck for higher wages, demanding \$2 per day. After a slight interruption the contractors agreed to pay the price demanded, and everything is now moving along rapidly and harmoniously again.”³⁵

In June 1870 the Flanagan and Welsh families lived in Bolivar, W. Va. James Flanagan had already died, on Aug. 13, 1856, and so Frances Flanagan, age 62, widowed, a farmer with real estate valued at \$8,000 and a personal estate valued at \$500 was listed as head of the household, dwelling 520.³⁶ Living with her were: John, age 21, son, a farm laborer; Alice, age 17, daughter; Charles, age 13, son, and 4 other persons unrelated. Frances’ son, William Flanagan, age 28, a farm laborer, lived in dwelling 322 with his wife Kate, age 22.

In dwelling 524 lived Thomas Welsh, age 45 [*sic* 35], who works in a stone quarry. Living with him were: Ann, age 28, wife; John, age 11, son; Thomas, age 8, son; Patrick, age 5 [*sic* 7], son; Nora, age 3, daughter; and Annie, age 1, daughter. At the time of the census, Aug 18, 1870, Anna was pregnant with their daughter Mary E. Welsh, who was born Dec. 10, 1870. Unfortunately, Mary E. Welsh died the following year, date unknown, and she was subsequently buried in St. Peter’s Cemetery, Harper’s Ferry, with her brother, William, and his wife.

And in dwelling 525 lived James Flanagan, age 22, who worked in a stone quarry and had a personal estate valued at \$400; Ellen, age 21, wife; and Lucy, age 11/12.

Michael Walsh, age 28, and Mary “Mollie” C. Howard, age 19, married on March 3, 1870 and moved into the Rhinehardt family’s household where they were recorded in the 1870 census.³⁷ Michael was working as a stone mason.

A newspaper reported: **Georgetown Affairs. - Mule Drowned.** - A valuable mule, belonging to James Flanagan, broke his halter yesterday morning and started down the towpath, but walked into the canal near the station and was drowned. The captain of the boat recovered the dead animal, and putting a rope around his neck, took him in tow to Cumberland yesterday in order to satisfy his owner that the mule "came to his death by drowning."³⁸

A local newspaper reported: “**Accident** – Mrs. [Martha] Flanagan, residing some four miles southeast of this town, widow of the late William Flanagan, and an elderly lady, fell from her bed a few days ago and broke her leg. She had been confined to bed for several years on account of rheumatism.”³⁹ Later that month we read the obituary: “**Another** – Mrs. Martha Flanagan,

³⁵ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 2/5/1870, p. 2.

³⁶ 1870 U. S. Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Bolivar, enumerated 6/28/1870, p. 72.

³⁷ 1870 U. S. Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Shepherdstown, enumerated 8/18/1870, p. 33.

³⁸ *National Republican*, Washington, D.C., newspaper, Saturday, 8/20/1870, p. 4.

³⁹ *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 10/8/1870.

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widow of the late William Flanagan, died at her residence near Unionville, on Sunday afternoon last, aged about 70 years. She had been confined to her bed from rheumatism for some years past, and a few weeks ago she fell from her bed, sustaining a fracture of one of her legs, which, with old age had a tendency to shorten her life. May she rest in peace! *Shepherdstown Register.*"⁴⁰

James Walsh died of pneumonia on Feb. 27, 1871, age 45, in "Rock Hill," Jefferson County, W. Va. His death record lists him as being married to Margaret, according to his brother, Thomas.

In March 1871 we found: "**The Potomac Mills Cement Company** last evening elected the following board of directors for the ensuing year: Nicholas Acker, A. R. Shepherd, S. T. G. Morsell, J. W. Barker, W. G. Metzertott and John Purdy."⁴¹

In July 1871 a newspaper reported: "**The Potomac Mills.** - We are glad to learn that the contract for the Cement to be used in the construction of the new State Department at Washington City, has been awarded to the Potomac Mills Company, and will be furnished from their works near this place. The amount of their present contract is for *thirty-five thousand barrels*, which, with their other orders, compels them to increase their working force and to build an additional stack of kilns, which Messrs. McBee and Britner have already begun. Heretofore, the Potomac Mills Company have been paying out, for labor, &c., above \$1,000 per month; and we understand, that, hereafter, their monthly disbursements will be considerably increased. A few more manufacturing establishments amongst us like the Paper Mill and Potomac Cement works will soon revolutionize the business aspect of our venerable village and contribute greatly to the prosperity of our entire community."⁴²

Later that same year we read: "**Steamer.** - A Steamer is now engaged in plying the waters of the C. & O. Canal. The Potomac Mills Company, near this place, have a steamboat carrying their Cement to Georgetown, which increases their facilities for shipping. The Company is now engaged in preparing their Mills for manufacturing Cement upon a large scale, in order to fill their contract of 30,000 barrels for the building of the large Government edifices at Washington to be erected there in a short time."⁴³

Later that month a newspaper reported: "Arrived, canal boats *George Mohler* and *James Flannagan*, from Shepherdstown, with limestone for W. H. Godey and Wm. Cammack"⁴⁴

Problems persisted as we read: "**Resuming Operations.** - Several of the Directors, including Major Blunt, of the Potomac Mills Mining and Manufacturing Company, near this place, from Washington City, were here during the past week, making arrangements to resume operations in the manufacture of Cement. This will be cheering news to the many hands who have been

⁴⁰ *Spirit of Jefferson*, Charles Town, W. Va., newspaper, 11/1/1870.

⁴¹ *Evening Star*, Washington, D. C., newspaper, Friday, 3/3/1871, p. 4.

⁴² *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 7/8/1871, p. 2.

⁴³ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 8/12/1871, p. 2

⁴⁴ *National Republican*, Washington, D. C., newspaper, Friday, 8/18/1871, p. 4.

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employed for some years past. This Company we learn has large demands upon them for this excellent quality of Cement from Washington City, and other cities in the North and South.”⁴⁵

At last a newspaper reported: “**Brisk.** - Since the resumption of Canal navigation, the river business of our place has been quite brisk; and we learn, that besides the large amounts of flour, grain, &c., which have been shipped from Shepherdstown this spring, some 3,500 barrels of cement have also been sent off from the Potomac Mills, where they now have upwards of forty hands at work.”⁴⁶

James Flanagan decided to quit farming in 1873. The auction sale announcement provides insight into what a farmer had in the way of equipment. The announcement read: “**Public Sale** – Having determined to quit farming, I will sell at Public Auction, to the highest bidder, at my residence on the farm of Dennis [M.] Daniels, [brother-in-law] situated 1 mile South of Knott’s Mill, and 2-1/2 miles East of Unionville, on Tuesday, the 21st of October, 1873, all my stock and farming utensils consisting in part as follows: 3 head of good work horses, two of them good brood mares and one with foal, and one a good barshear leader; 1 No. 1 milk cow; 5 head of fat cattle; 2 wagons, one of them a four-horse and the other a Government wagon; wagon and plow gears; 2 plows (Ullum’s make, one a 3-horse and the other a 2-horse plow); 2 single shovel plows; 2 double shovel plows; 1 corn coverer; single and double trees, collars, bridles, 4 halters, 1 wagon line, 1 good 3-horse harrow (nearly new), 1 log chain, 1 fifth chain, 1 pair stretchers, 1 pair shelving’s, 1 jack screw, and many other articles not necessary to mention. TERMS – A credit of twelve months will be given on all sums over \$10, note and approved security required, the notes to bear interest from date, but if paid promptly when due the interest will be remitted. Sums of \$10 and under cash. No property to be removed until settled for. Sale to commence at 10 o’clock, A.M.

JAMES FLANNAGAN.”⁴⁷

In 1874, John G. Flanagan and Brother, in consideration of \$1,400, bought a canal boat named “*William H. Godey*.” The purchase money was to be paid in two equal payments of \$700 each due on Jan. 1, 1875 and July 1, 1875, respectively.⁴⁸ William H. Godey had a lime kiln in Georgetown. We don’t know the dimensions of the boat but surmise it was not the same size and capacity as the standard coal freighter.

Thomas B. Walsh, Sr. died of pneumonia on March 18, 1875, [per his tombstone] leaving a wife and seven children. Thus the 1880 census reported Ann Walsh, age 35, widowed, as head of the house in Bolivar, W. Va.⁴⁹ Living with her were: John M., age 21, son, a laborer; Thomas B., age 18, son, a laborer; Patrick H., age 15 [*sic* 17], son, a farm laborer; Nora F., age 13, daughter, attending school; Annie G., age 11, daughter, attending school; Catherine E., age 6, daughter; and William F., age 5, son.

⁴⁵ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 2/24/1872, p. 2.

⁴⁶ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 4/27/1872, p. 2.

⁴⁷ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 9/27/1873.

⁴⁸ Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, Md., Deed Book 41, page 572, recorded 7/16/1874.

⁴⁹ 1880 U. S. Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Bolivar, enumerated 6/11/1880, p. 20.

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The 1880 census reported Michael Walsh, age 34, a laborer, as living in the house adjacent to Ann Walsh, in Bolivar, W. Va.⁵⁰ Living with him were: Molly, age 28, wife; John M., age 10, son; and Thomas H., age 4, son.

In the same census was reported James Flanagan, age 32, a farmer, also living in Bolivar.⁵¹ Living with him were: Mary E., age 30, wife; Martha L., age 9, daughter; Annie F., age 7, daughter; Maggy V., age 6, daughter; Essie K., age 5, daughter; and Charles W., age 3, son.

John M. Welsh married Clara Dae Myers in Washington County, Md. on Mar. 24, 1883; they had seven children together, six lived to maturity. John worked in a lime quarry as a foreman and kept a diary of accidents and other happenings in and around the quarry from 1908 until his death in 1928. The whereabouts of the dairy are unknown.

Nora Frances Walsh married John McClellan Moore on Feb. 2, 1884; they had nine children together.

Annie Gertrude Walsh married Charles William Ingram on Aug. 25, 1889 at the Fairview Wedding House in Washington County, Md.; they had nine children together.

In Sept. 1889, Michael Welsh removed from Harper's Ferry, W. Va., to Blair County, Pa., presumably to follow the railroad construction effort, according to his obituary. An accident in June of 1919, when he jumped from a truck and fell, left him paralyzed.

In November 1890, Bakerton sprang up at Oak Grove schoolhouse. Washington Building & Lime Company had bought 45 acres in the area to develop the lime deposit there. A mile north of Bakerton, the Virginia Ore Bank resumed operations after 14 years.

Thomas B. Welsh married Margaret "Maggie" Virginia Flanagan on Oct. 12, 1890 in Brunswick, Md. They had two children together. It is said that Tommy and Maggie were very much in love, and the community spoke highly of their loving relationship. He was a Lime & Stone Inspector for Flanagan's Quarry, in Bakerton, W. Va. He spoke fluent Gaelic, which was spoken at home as he was growing up, and English. He also played the fiddle.

Katie Lee Walsh married George Lee Eichelberger on Feb. 15, 1891. They had 10 children together.

In 1891 a newspaper reported: "The Messrs. Knott, who started their limestone quarries below town some time ago, have begun the shipment of stone to Georgetown by way of the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal. There is a strong demand there for the product of these excellent quarries."⁵²

Juanita Stoddard Moore Horn remembered that her father, John McClellan Moore, had previously worked for John Flanagan, who owned a stone quarry between the Orebank and River Bend, on the West Virginia side. Capt. Moore lived on the boat with his wife, Nora Francis,

⁵⁰ 1880 U. S. Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Bolivar, enumerated 6/11/1880, p. 20D.

⁵¹ 1880 U. S. Census, West Virginia, Jefferson County, Bolivar, enumerated 6/12/1880, p. 21.

⁵² *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 10/23/1891, p. 3

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Welsh Moore, and their two children.⁵³ Capt. and Mrs. Moore had nine children, five of which were born prior to 1896 when John Moore became superintendent of Antietam Mines and probably moved ashore. After taking the new job, John Moore bought 25 acres north of the Orebank and built the house subsequently occupied by Mark and Juanita Moore. Juanita Moore was actually born in the new house on Nov. 20, 1904.

In 1893 we read: “We understand that Messrs. O. J. Keller & Bro., who are running the lime kilns located at Keller's, this county, have leased the limestone quarry at Antietam and the old Wade quarry just below Antietam, along the canal, and will begin operating them in the near future. They will ship the stone to Washington by boat. That which is first class limestone will be converted into lime and the balance will be utilized by a stone-crusher they will set up. Captain Charles Underdonk has contracted to do the boating.”⁵⁴

Daniel Thomas Welsh was born May 23, 1893 to John M. and Clara M. Welsh; and died Aug. 15, 1895, still an infant.

In the Dec. 3, 1895 edition of the *Spirit of Jefferson Farmer's Advocate*, it was reported: “Lawsuit, Plaintiff Mr. John M. Welsh, of Bakerton, this county, sued Mr. Jesse A. Engle, Principal of the Oak Grove School, for damages for whipping his son, Roy, aged twelve years. This case was tried by a jury before magistrate M. L. Eichelberger, of Uvilla, last week. The jury rendered a verdict of one cent damages. Mr. G. W. Graham, of Harper's Ferry appeared for Mr. Welsh, and Mr. J. F. Engle of Charlestown for the defendant. – *Shepherdstown Ind.*”

In 1896 we read: “Mr. John M. Moore bought from Mr. Adam B. Moler a tract of 24 acres of unimproved land near Bakerton, for \$1,150 cash, and is making arrangements for the erection of a dwelling-house thereon.”⁵⁵

Preston S. Millard was confirmed Postmaster at Bakerton, W. Va. on Apr. 30, 1897.

In 1897 we read: “**Canal Boat Sunk.** The canal boat *Fannie Flanagan*, of Harpers Ferry, ran on a rock in Big Slack Water, on Saturday, knocking a hole in the bottom. The boat filled with water and sank. Navigation was stopped until the sunken craft was raised by the canal hands. The boat belongs to Mr. Stouffer, of Maryland, and it was used for hauling railroad ties. It was formerly owned by Messrs. James and John Flanagan, of Bakerton, but they have recently purchased a fine new boat from Mertens, Cumberland, which they are using in their stone business.”⁵⁶

From an Oct. 1897 newspaper we read two stories: “Mr. and Mrs. Flanagan and their little son John, of Bakerton, are visiting friends in Frederick, Md., this week.” and: “**Birthday Dinner** – One of the most pleasant of the festive occasions in which the *Register* man has participated this year was the birthday dinner at Mr. James Flanagan's near Bakerton last Saturday. Mr. Flanagan was fifty years old that day, and his excellent wife and daughters determined to observe the event

⁵³ Interview with Juanita Moore Horn, April 23, 1984.

⁵⁴ *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 3/3/1893, p. 3.

⁵⁵ *Spirit of Jefferson*, Charles Town, W. Va., newspaper, Tuesday, 12/15/1896, p. 2.

⁵⁶ *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 6/8/1897.

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in proper style. They quietly notified a number of their friends and neighbors, and some sixty or seventy persons gathered to assist in the celebration. The chief event of the day was the dinner, and we have seldom sat down to a more tempting repast. All of the good things of a county flowing with milk and honey were provided in the most bountiful manner, deliciously cooked and tastefully served. It was a dinner fit for a king, and though the preacher surrounded the chicken and the editor bravely attacked the turkey, there were still many fragments left when all had eaten. Four generations of the family were represented: Mr. and Mrs. George Caton, who were great-grandparents; Mr. and Mrs. Flanagan, the grandparents; Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Moler, the parents, and their children. From the sturdy appearance of Mr. and Mrs. Caton there is reason to hope in course of time they may add another great to their title. During the afternoon Rev. J. L. Kibler rounded up the children present and baptized several of them. We left the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Flanagan with reluctance, for the day was a thoroughly enjoyable one. Mr. Flanagan was particularly requested to celebrate his birthday oftener hereafter than once in a half century – in fact we would not object the helping him every month or so.”⁵⁷

In 1899, in the society section we read: “Miss Martha Flanagan, Mrs. Nora Moore and Mrs. Maggie Walsh, of the Bakerton neighborhood, spent the past week with friends in Washington City.” and “Mrs. Margaret Caton is visiting her daughter, Mrs. James Flanagan, near Bakerton.”⁵⁸

A newspaper reported the following accident: “Thomas B. Welsh was the victim of a very serious accident at Bakerton, this county, yesterday morning. It appears that the day previous a blast had been set off in the stone quarries at that place, and one of the charges failed to explode. The next morning, while Mr. Welsh was at work on the stone, by some means the dynamite was exploded. He received the full shock of the explosion and was hurled to the ground. A large portion of the stone was thrown upon him and many small fragments hit him in the head and about the body. The worst injury Mr. Welsh sustained was a compound comminuted fracture of the leg, that member being severely mangled. In addition, he received several painful scalp wounds, and also a number of cuts about the body.

“Dr. S. T. Knott was immediately sent for, and he called Dr. Tanner and Dr. Banks into consultation. The injured man was given every attention and made as comfortable as possible. Dr. Tanner informs us this morning that though the leg is badly injured, there being two fractures below the knee, they hope that it may be saved. We greatly regret to note Mr. Welsh’s misfortune. He has long been employed in the Bakerton quarries and is regarded as one of the most efficient and industrious men in the neighborhood. His friends hope he may speedily recover.” and “Boating on the canal is reported by the *Sharpsburg Record* as very discouraging. Some have only made one trip and hardly realized enough to pay their expenses.”⁵⁹

Then good news: “Mr. Thomas Welsh, who was injured in a blast at Bakerton, did not die, as reported. Mr. D. R. Houser, his foreman, was in town Tuesday, and said he was getting along very nicely.”⁶⁰

⁵⁷ *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 10/21/1897.

⁵⁸ *The Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 4/20/1899.

⁵⁹ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 5/11/1899.

⁶⁰ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 5/23/1899.

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Construction on the first pot kilns at Bakerton was begun on Oct. 12, 1899. John M. Walsh dug the foundations for those first kilns starting on Oct. 25, 1889. S. W. Bradt was the general superintendent of the company. The kilns were burnt on Wed. Oct. 11, 1911 then were rebuilt and running again on Jan. 11, 1912. Started 6 more kilns on Thursday, Mar. 20, 1913 at the Shop. First stone was dumped into the kilns at the Shop Tuesday, Aug. 5, 1913.

1899 did not end well, with the following obituary: “**The Heavy Hand of Death** – Mrs. Mary Flanagan, the beloved wife of Mr. James Flanagan, died last Thursday morning at her home near Bakerton, this county, after an illness of less than two days. Tuesday night Mrs. Flanagan was stricken with apoplexy. The attack was very sudden. Her husband and her daughter, Miss Martha, were with her. To her daughter, she said, “Take care of little Oscar,” and then, looking into her husband’s face, she said to him, “All is well.” kissed him and lost consciousness. She never spoke afterward, and Thursday morning, with her loved ones around her bedside, the spirit took its flight to the God who gave it. Mrs. Flanagan, whose maiden name was Caton, was 48 years of age. She was one of the best women, and her neighbors and all who knew her testify to her Christian character. She was generous, warm-hearted, sympathetic and loveable, and in all the relations of life she exemplified the religion she professed. A devoted, helpful wife, a tender, loving mother, a neighbor whose charity and good deeds endeared her to all, her death has caused a loss to the community that will long be remembered and a vacancy in the family life that may never be filled. Her family is sorely stricken, and in their bereavement, they have the sincere sympathy of all the people. Mrs. Flanagan is survived by her husband and the following children: Mrs. Raleigh Moler, Mrs. Thomas Welsh, Martha, Essie, William, Walter, John, Allen [*sic.* Berna] and Oscar. The funeral was held Saturday in the Bethesda Southern Methodist church, of which the deceased had long been a consistent and active member. The service was conducted by Rev. J. L. Kibler, the pastor, and was attended by a very large assemblage of sorrowing relatives and friends. The body was laid to rest in Elmwood Cemetery, Shepherdstown.”⁶¹

By 1900 Michael Welsh, age 51, had removed to George, Fayette County, Pa., where he was one of many living in a boarding house and he was working as a railroad foreman.⁶² Thomas Welsh, age 23, son, was also living in the same boarding house and working as a laborer on a railroad. Meanwhile, Mary Walsh, age 49, married 31 years, she had two children, both of whom were then still living, was reported to be living in Blair, Pennsylvania.⁶³ Living with her was: Thomas, age 23, working as a brake maker.

The 1900 census reported Clara Welsh, age 35, married 18 years, she had 6 children all of whom were then still living, living in dwelling 203, District 42, Harper’s Ferry, W. Va.⁶⁴ Living with her were: John, age 41, husband, married 18 years, working as a stationary engineer; Roy M., age 16, son, a cooper; Lawrence H., age 15, son, working as a cooper’s helper; Bessie O., age 10, daughter; Annie M., age 9, daughter; Martha M., age 5, daughter; and Pearl V., age 1, daughter.

⁶¹ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 12/7/1899.

⁶² 1900 U. S. Census, Pennsylvania, Fayette, George, enumerated 6/20/1900, p. 14B.

⁶³ 1900 U. S. Census, Pennsylvania, Blair, Blair, enumerated 6/16/1900, p. 10B.

⁶⁴ 1900 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper’s Ferry, District 42, enumerated 6/22/1900, p. 14B.

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Nearby, in dwelling 213, District 42, Harper's Ferry, W. Va. was Thomas B. Walsh, age 26 [*sic.* 39], a day laborer, married 10 years. Living with him were: Margaret V., age 25, wife, married 10 years, she had 2 children, both then still living; Martin D. age 8, son; and Essie T., age 5, daughter, all born in West Virginia.

Also, in Harpers Ferry lived Patrick Welsh, age 33, a day laborer.⁶⁵ He was the head of the household which included: William Welch, age 25, brother, a cooper; and Annie, age 59, mother, widowed, married 40 years [not really, she was married 16 years when Thomas B. Welsh died], she reported having nine children with seven still living.

In 1900 John M. Moore, age 36, a farmer was living in dwelling 188, District 42, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.⁶⁶ Living with him were: Nora F. [Walsh], age 34, wife, she had 6 children all of whom were then still living; Bertha M., age 15, daughter; Laura B., age 13, daughter; Katie M., age 10, daughter; Nannie L., age 8, daughter; Elsie E., age 3, daughter; and Janie H., age 8/12, daughter. The eleven year old son, John Mack Moore, was not mentioned, but six daughters were listed.

Down the road in dwelling 190 lived John Flanagan, age 50, a landlord with his second wife, Bertha, age 28, and their son, John, Jr., age 2.

By 1900 Charles W. Ingram, age 33, married 10 years, a foreman in a limestone quarry, had settled in Sandy Hook, Md.⁶⁷ Living with him were: Anna G. [Walsh], age 31, wife, married 10 years, she had 5 children all then still living; Agnes S., age 9, daughter; Robert W., age 8, son; Jesse A., age 6, son; John T., age 3, son; and Clara R., age 6/12, daughter.

And that census listed George Eichelberger, age 28, a laborer, living in Sharpsburg.⁶⁸ Living with him were: Katie [Lee Irene Walsh], age 24, wife; Harvey, age 8, son; Cora [*sic.* Iva May], age 5, daughter; and Charley, age 2, son.

More good news: "Michael Millard, who has been operating limestone quarries at Lebanon, Pa., has returned to this county and has taken charge of the quarries at Millville."⁶⁹

The same newspaper reported: "The family of our friend John M. Welch, of Bakerton, this county, must have pretty god consciences, for they are sound sleepers. During the heavy thunder storm that passed over that section Sunday night, lightning struck Mr. Welch's house. The electric bolt passed down the chimney and into the parlor, where the mantel was burned. Mr. Welch and his family never knew a thing about it until the next morning."⁷⁰

John Flanagan's barn, on Engle's Place, burnt down on Sunday, Nov. 1, 1903. A new barn was raised on Jan. 21, 1911.

⁶⁵ 1900 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, District 42, enumerated 6/21/1900, p. 13B.

⁶⁶ 1900 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, District 42, enumerated 6/21/1900, p. 13A.

⁶⁷ 1900 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, District 11, enumerated 6/6/1900, p. 5B.

⁶⁸ 1900 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, Sharpsburg, enumerated 6/7/1900, p. 6B.

⁶⁹ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 2/6/1902.

⁷⁰ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 7/9/1903.

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Small pox arrived in Bakerton on Nov. 13, 1905.

As a stationary engineer, John Martin Welsh, a hoist operator at the Bakerton Quarry, ran the steam or electric hoist that pulled stone-filled ore cars out of the quarry pit to ground level, based on his diary kept during the period 1908 – 1928.

Some local news: “James Flanagan, of Bakerton, a few days ago killed ten hogs that averaged 272 pounds each, the heaviest weighing 492 pounds. Thos. B. Welsh was the boss butcher.” and “Mrs. J.D. Ross, who was called to the bedside of her mother, who has been critically ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. G. Flanagan, has returned to her home in Salina, Kansas.”⁷¹

A wedding was reported: “The home of Mr. and Mrs. John Welsh of Bakerton, was the scene of a very pretty wedding which took place on the evening of April 8th, when their daughter, Anna Mary, was united in marriage to Mr. David Hetzel, of that place. To the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march, rendered by Mrs. P. S. Millard, the bridal party entered the parlor, and, under an arch of evergreens, the happy pair were made one by Rev. R. K. Nevitt. Mr. Lawrence Welsh, brother of the bride, and Miss Anna Kidwiler came first; next came the groom and his best man Mr. Harvey Boyer, followed by the bride with Miss Bessie, her sister, as maid of honor. The bride looked very sweet in white silk and carried bride roses. The bridesmaids carried carnations. After the ceremony, refreshments were served. The presents were numerous and useful. The young couple have a host of friends, who join in wishing them a long life and much happiness.”⁷²

The census reported Michael Walsh, age 61, a contractor, married 40 years, living in Hollidaysburg, Pa.⁷³ Living with him were: Mary, age 59, wife, married 40 years, she had two children both of whom were then still living; and Thomas, age 32, son, a brick maker. The other son, John M., age 40, was living working as a miner for Bird Coal Co. in Blandburg, Cambria County, PA.

In Harper’s Ferry lived John M. Welsh, age 50, a laborer at a lime kiln, married 27 years.⁷⁴ Living with him were: Colara C. [*sic*. Clara D.], age 46, wife, married 27 years, she had seven children, six were then still living; Roy M., age 26, son, a laborer at odd jobs; Lawrence H., age 25, son; Bessie, age 20, daughter; Martha M., age 15, daughter; and Pearl V., age 11, daughter. Daughter Anna Mary Welsh had married in 1909 and thus was not accounted in this household.

The 1910 census reported Walter J. Flanagan, age 30, Foreman at a lime works, married 5 years, living in District 51, Harper’s Ferry, W. Va.⁷⁵ Living with him were Louise E., age 25, married 5 years, she had 1 child who was then still living; and Harold E., age 2, son.

In the adjacent house lived Thomas B. Walsh, age 48, married 17 years, a laborer at a lime works. Living with him were: Maggie V., age 37, wife, married 17 years, she had 2 children,

⁷¹ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 12/10/1908.

⁷² *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 4/15/1909.

⁷³ 1910 U. S. Census, Pennsylvania, Blair County, Hollidaysburg, enumerated 4/28/1910, p. 3A.

⁷⁴ 1910 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper’s Ferry, enumerated 4/19/1910, p. 3B.

⁷⁵ 1910 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper’s Ferry, District 51, enumerated 4/19/1910, p. 4A.

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both then still living; Martin D. age 17, son; and Essie T., age 15, daughter, all born in West Virginia.

Then in the next house lived James A. Flanagan, age 28, married 6 years, a laborer at a lime works. Living with him were: Delia E., age 31, wife, married 6 years, she had 2 children both of whom were then still living; James W., age 4, son; and Charles R., age 1-1/12, son.

And in the next house lived William C. Flanagan, age 32, married 3 years, a farmer. Living with him were: Florence V., age 33. wife, married 3 years, she had no children.

The same 1910 census reported Pat Welsh, age 46, single, a laborer in a stone quarry, as living in Bakerton, W. Va.⁷⁶ Living with him were: Willie W., age 52 [*sic* 37], brother, a cooper in a barrel shop; and Annie, age 70, mother, widow, she reported having ten children with seven still living.

Living next door was James Flanagan, age 63, widowed, a farmer; Martha, age 40, daughter; John G., age 22, son, a laborer in a lime quarry; and Oscar S., age 16, son, laborer on home farm.

Across the river in Sandy Hook, Md. Charles W. Ingram, age 43, married 20 years, a foreman in a stone quarry was living with his family.⁷⁷ Specifically Annie G. [Welsh], age 41, wife, married 20 years, she had 9 children with 8 then still living; Agnes, age 19, daughter, married one year with one child then still living; Robert W., age 17, son, a laborer in a stone quarry; Jesse, age 15, son, a laborer in a stone quarry; John, age 12, son; Clara, age 10, daughter; Katie, age 7, daughter; Anna Mary, age 2, daughter; Patrick, infant; son; and Phillip Jimmison [Jamison], age 27, single nephew. Apparently one child had been born and died in infancy during the previous decade.

The George L. Eichelberger family still lived in Election District 1 [Sharpsburg] in 1910 where he was 38 years old and working as a laborer in a stone quarry.⁷⁸ Living with him were Katie I, age 36, wife, she had seven children all still living; Harvey L., age 18, son, a laborer in a stone quarry; Iva M., age 16, daughter; Charles W., age 12, son; Franklin G., age 9, son; Martin L., age 7, son; Walter L., age 4, son; and Marvin M., age 2, son.

The Bakerton stable burnt down on May 7, 1910, killing a mule and a horse. The first stone for a new stable was laid July 15, 1910. Then Moler's store burnt down on Monday, July 18, 1910.

After the 1910 census was taken, we read: "Mr. Walter Flanagan, formerly of Bakerton, this county, who has been employed in Baltimore for some months past, has taken a position with the Standard Stone and Lime Company at Riverton, Va." and "Permission was given to Frank L. Bushong, guardian of John G. Flanagan, infant, to expend certain sums for the improvement of the William Engle farm and the F. M. Moler farm, owned by the late John G. Flanagan, near Bakerton."⁷⁹

⁷⁶ 1910 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, Bakerton, enumerated 4/19/1910, p. 4.

⁷⁷ 1910 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, District 11, enumerated 4/27/1910, p. 13B.

⁷⁸ 1910 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, District 1, enumerated 4/28/1910, p. 10B.

⁷⁹ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 10/27/1910.

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In the next year we read: “**To Rebuild Lime Plant** – That portion of the plant of the Washington Building Lime Company at Bakerton, which was destroyed by fire last week, is to be immediately rebuilt. The sheds and fixtures of twelve of the kilns were burned, and the loss having been promptly adjusted by Washington, Alexander & Cooke, the debris and rubbish has been cleared away and preparations made for rebuilding. The new plant will be much better than the old. The kilns will be of improved pattern and the building that shelters them will be constructed of iron and steel, so that there will never again be any danger from fire. Three cars loaded with coal were among the property destroyed in the fire last week. It is said that some twenty or thirty men were about the kilns when the fire started, but all of them were asleep, and the flames had gotten so much headway they could not be extinguished, the water connection having been broken by falling lumber.”⁸⁰

Bessie Irene Welsh married Roy McCletis Best on Dec. 23, 1913.

From the society page, we read: “Mr. Martin D. Welsh, came up from Baltimore last Sunday to spend the day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Welsh, at Bakerton. Mr. Welsh is employed as general clerk for the Crown Cork and Seal Company of Baltimore.” and “Mrs. Margaret Welsh, of Bakerton, is spending this week with Miss Edith Gardner, near Shepherdstown.”⁸¹

Nuptials were announced: “In the presence of a few relatives and friends, at the home of Mrs. Robert Cross, in Shenandoah Junction, on Thursday evening, January 29th, at 7:30 o’clock, Miss Annie M. Kidwiler was married to Lawrence H. Welsh, both of Bakerton, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Ernst W. Aaron, the bride’s pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Welsh will reside at Bakerton. – *Advocate*.”⁸²

Later that year we read: “Mr. Martin D. Welsh, of Bakerton, and Miss Laura E. Lewis, of Frederick County, Md., were married in Hagerstown last Friday, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Ernst W. Aaron, of Shenandoah Junction.”⁸³ They had three children together.

The last lime burnt at Engle’s was from Sep. 3, 1915 to Oct. 9, 1915. Then the kilns were torn down on Monday, Oct. 11, 1915.

James Flanagan died Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1916 at 11:40 p.m.

Martha Mae Welsh married William Sheldon Gary on Wednesday, May 16, 1917.

World War I came along and the following men registered for the draft:

⁸⁰ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 10/19, 1911.

⁸¹ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 6/18/1914.

⁸² *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 2/11/1915.

⁸³ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 9/23/1915.

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William Franklin Welsh, age 45, born Jan. 29, 1873, working as a mason for Washington Building Lime Co., Bakerton, W. Va.⁸⁴ His nearest relative was Annie G. Welsh, sister, of the home address. He was short in height, medium in build, gray eyes, and red hair.

Lawrence Henry Welsh, age 34, born Mar. 4, 1884, working as a Lime Healer for Washington Building Lime Co., Bakerton, W. Va.⁸⁵ His nearest relative was Anna Mary Welsh, wife of the home address. He was medium height, medium build, brown eyes, with dark hair.

Martin D. Welsh, age 25, born Apr. 22, 1892, working as a clerk for P. A. Millard, Bakerton, W. Va.⁸⁶ He was married, short, slender, with blue eyes, light hair and not bald.

John Griggs Flanagan, age 32, born March 15th 1886, working as Assistant Foreman at Bartlett Hayward Co., Baltimore, Md.⁸⁷ His nearest relative was Ruth Estella Flanagan, of 2106 Penrose St., Baltimore. He was married, tall, slender, with brown eyes and was partly bald.

On August 28th 1917, Annie Welsh, widow of Thomas Welsh, made her Last Will and Testament. A copy is provided at the end of this report. Her Last Will and Testament was offered for probate and ordered recorded on Nov. 22nd 1922.

Late in 1917 a newspaper published the following letter:

“Bakerton, W. Va., December 12, 1917

“Washington, Alexander & Cooke,

“Charles Town, W. Va.

“Gentleman – My furniture was burned in the fire that destroyed the P. S. Millard store at Bakerton on December 1, 1917, and same was insured through your agency. The loss has been promptly adjusted and I want to thank you for the satisfactory manner in which same was attended to.

“Very truly yours,

“M. D. Welsh”⁸⁸

Note, this was the same insurance agency that had promptly adjusted the fire at Washington Building Lime Company in Oct. 1911.

Roy M. Walsh joined the Army on Monday, May 27, 1918, and was sent to basic training at Columbus, Ohio the next morning. He was a private assigned to the 319th WV Ambulance Corps, 305 Sanitary Train, 80th Division. At the end of the war, he departed Brest, France on May 20, 1919 on board the U. S. Army Transport ship “Rotterdam” and arrived in Hoboken, N. J. on May 31, 1919. He was honorably discharged on Jun. 19, 1919, and returned to Jefferson County, WV.

Annie Frances Flanagan Moler died on Friday, Nov. 29, 1918.

⁸⁴ WW I Draft Registration card, 35A, No. A-509, dated Sep. 12, 1918.

⁸⁵ WW I Draft Registration card, 1597, No. A-1494, dated Sep. 12, 1918.

⁸⁶ WW I Draft Registration card, 582, No. 36, dated June 5, 1917.

⁸⁷ WW I Draft Registration card, 1236, No. 2819, dated Sept. 12, 1918.

⁸⁸ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 12/20/1917

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In 1920 Michael Welsh, age 73, was still living in Hollidaysburg, Pa.⁸⁹ His wife, Mary C., age 69, was a seamstress at home and son Thomas H, age 42, was working as a laborer for the Borough.

The 1920 census reported John Welch, age 60, a laborer at a lime kiln, as living in Harper's ferry, W. Va.⁹⁰ Living with him were: Clara, age 56, wife; Roy, age 36, son, a laborer at a lime kiln; and Pearl, age 21, daughter.

That same census reported Thomas B. Welsh [Jr.], age 58, a laborer in a lime kiln, living in District 67 (Bakerton), W. Va.⁹¹ Living with him was: Margaret V., age 40, wife.

The same 1920 census listed Ann Welsh, age 84, widowed, as living in dwelling 334, Bakerton, W. Va.⁹² Living with her were: Pat. age 57, son, a laborer in a lime kiln; and William, age 50, son, also a laborer in a lime kiln.

In 1920 John M. Moore, age 56, was a general farmer living in dwelling 329, Bakerton, W. Va.⁹³ Living with him were: Nora, age 53, wife; Garland, age 17, son, a farm laborer; and Juanita, age 15, daughter.

Still living in Sandy Hook, Md. was Charles W. Ingram, age 52, a foreman in a stone quarry.⁹⁴ Living with him were: Anna G. [Welsh], age 51, wife; John T., age 21, son, a laborer in a stone quarry; Katie, age 17, daughter; Anna Mary, age 13, daughter; Patrick L., age 10, son; and Edna, age 8, daughter.

John Martin Welsh suffered from typhoid fever at Bakerton, W. Va. on June 16, 1921, as reported: "John M. Welsh, who has been sick with typhoid fever, is, we are sorry to say, very ill at this writing, and his friends are much concerned over his recovery."⁹⁵ On May 24th 1923, John M. and Clara Welsh made their Joint Last Will and Testament. She subsequently died on Nov. 6, 1926. He died on Dec. 26, 1928 of influenza. Their Joint Last Will and Testament was offered for probate and ordered recorded on Jan. 3rd 1929. A copy is provided at the end of this report.

Michael Welsh died of paralysis on Oct. 14, 1922, aged 76, in Hollidaysburg, Blair County, Pennsylvania. per his death certificate.⁹⁶ He was born March 5, 1846. He was married. His obituary read: "**Michael Welsh**, a veteran of the Confederate Army and highly respected resident of Hollidaysburg, died at his home, 1010 Church Street, on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, of paralysis, resulting from an accident in which he figured in June, 1919, when he fell and severely injured himself when alighting from a truck. He was never able to walk since the accident. He was born in Maryland, and was aged 76 years, 7 months and 9 days. Deceased was married in

⁸⁹ 1920 U. S. Census, Pennsylvania, Blair County, Hollidaysburg, enumerated 1/2/1920, p. 2A.

⁹⁰ 1920 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, enumerated 1/30/1920, p. 14A.

⁹¹ 1920 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, District 67, enumerated 1/30/1920, p. 14B.

⁹² 1920 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, Bakerton, enumerated 1/30/1920, p. 17B.

⁹³ 1920 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, Bakerton, enumerated 1/30/1920, p. 17B.

⁹⁴ 1920 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, Sandy Hook, enumerated 3/26/1920, p. 1A.

⁹⁵ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 6/16/1921.

⁹⁶ Pennsylvania, Certificate of Death, No. 420, File No. 94148, dated 10/17/1922.

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Virginia to Mary Howard and has been a resident of Hollidaysburg since Sept. 1889. For some years he was a foreman for a contracting company. During the Civil War he was a soldier in the Confederate ranks under Colonel John Knott and was considered a model soldier. During his residence here, he had been a member of St. Mary's Catholic church. The funeral services will be held at St. Mary's church at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, and interment will be made in the new St. Mary's cemetery."⁹⁷

Death continued to strike the Welsh family, as seen by the obituary: "**Mrs. Annie Welsh**, an estimable resident of Bakerton, this county, died at her home in that place last Friday night, at the advanced age of 82 years. Mrs. Welsh was a devout Catholic and had a wide circle of friends who are saddened by her death. She had lived a long and useful life and had been a resident of the Bakerton section for many years. She is survived by four sons and three daughters: John, Thomas, William and Patrick Welsh, Mrs. John Moore, Mrs. Geo. W. Eichelberger and Mrs. C. W. Ingram. The funeral service was held in the Catholic Church of Harpers Ferry on Monday. Rev. Father Curran officiating, and the body was interred in the cemetery at that place."⁹⁸

The same newspaper edition had the story: "Boats on the Chesapeake & Ohio canal having finished the hauling of between three and four thousand tons of sand from Washington to Williamsport to be used in building operations at the latter place, it is announced that water will be drawn from the canal in a few days. This was the only business done by the canal in the past season, no coal having been shipped at all. It is a curious thing that though the railroads are unable to provide sufficient cars to haul coal from the mines to the markets, the boats that might have hauled thousands of tons from Cumberland to Washington have not carried a pound. The poor old canal seems doomed – why not turn it into a scenic highway between Cumberland and Washington that shall be the wonder of the United States?"

On Nov. 27, 1922, Patrick Welsh made his Last Will and Testament. A copy is provided at the end of this report. He died on July 12, 1931. His Last Will and testament was offered for probate and ordered recorded on July 16, 1931.

Charles William Ingram died on Nov. 13, 1923, leaving a widow and several children still living in the family home, Sandy Hook, Md.

Margaret Virginia Flanagan Welsh died on Jan. 22, 1925, leaving a husband and two adult children. Thomas B. Welsh moved in with his son, Martin Dineen Welsh and his family.

William Franklin Welsh married Dorothy Elizabeth Lloyd on Sep. 21, 1926; at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.

Nora Frances Welsh Moore died suddenly, cause unknown, on Sep. 10, 1927, leaving a husband and nine children.

Pearl Virginia Welsh married George William Emmart on Jan. 25, 1930, in Washington, D.C.

⁹⁷ *Altoona Tribune*, Altoona, Pennsylvania, newspaper, 10/16/1922.

⁹⁸ *Shepherdstown Register*, Shepherdstown, W. Va., newspaper, 11/23/1922.

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By 1930 the Roy M. Welsh family had moved to Bakerton, W. Va. The 1930 census listed Roy Welsh, age 40, single, a kiln liner, living in dwelling 86, District 6, Harper's Ferry, W. Va.⁹⁹

In dwelling 88 lived Martin Welsh, age 33, married at age 23, a clerk in a grocery store. Living with him were: Laura, age 31, wife, married at age 18; Dineen, age 12, son; Harold, age 2-4/12, son; and Thomas, age 69, widowed, father, married at age 30, retired from the Lime Co.

And living in dwelling 91, was James Flanagan, age 47, married at age 21, a cooper. Living with him were: Etta, age 54, married at age 28, wife; and James, Jr., age 24, son, working as a chemist at a stone quarry.

Down the road in dwelling 111 lived, Patrick Welsh, age 70, a stone cuter, retired and William Walsh, age 58, working in the lime room at a stone plant.¹⁰⁰ This census listed William Welsh as a widower who had married at age 50. Late in the year 1925, 15 year old Dorothy Elizabeth Lloyd became pregnant with William Welsh's child. She was baptized Catholic shortly after becoming pregnant as a condition of marriage. She married William Welsh on Sept. 21, 1926 in St. Peter's Catholic Church in Harpers Ferry, W. Va., three days before the birth of their daughter, Mary. Sadly, both mother and daughter died during childbirth.

Annie G. Welsh Ingram continued to live in Sandy Hook, Md. The 1930 census listed her as 61 years old, in a home valued at \$400.¹⁰¹ Living with her were: Roy B. Stride, age 20, son-in-law, working as a general public laborer; Edna G. Stride, age 18, daughter; Lucile A. Stride, infant, granddaughter; and Pat. L. Ingram, age 20, son, working as a general farm laborer.

The George L. Eichelberger family continued to live in Sharpsburg, on Lime Kiln Road, and he was 59 years old still working as a house carpenter.¹⁰² Living with him were: Katie L, age 57, wife; Marvin Mc., age 21, son, a laborer in a stone quarry; Daisey V., age 17, single daughter; Donald L, age 14, son; Raymond Churchey, age 18, son-in-law, a general farm laborer; and Ethel I. Churchey, age 19, daughter, married, that year.

Patrick Welsh died from pulmonary tuberculosis on July 12, 1931, in Bakerton, W. Va.

Roy M. Walsh died on Sep. 25, 1932 in Bakerton and was buried in Antietam National Cemetery, Sharpsburg, MD.

John M. Welsh died at age 63 years, 10 months, 24 days, on Feb. 24, 1934, of Miner's Asthma, in Johnstown, Pa.¹⁰³ He was born Mar. 30, 1870, in Harper's Ferry, W. Va., and he had worked at Bird Coal Co. An obituary has not been found. He was married.

Patrick Henry Walsh died on July 12, 1931 in Bakerton, W. Va. He was never married.

⁹⁹ 1930 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, District 6, enumerated 4/7/1930, p. 5A.

¹⁰⁰ 1930 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper's Ferry, Bakerton, enumerated 4/8/1930, p. 6B.

¹⁰¹ 1930 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, Sandy Hook, enumerated 4/22/1930, p. 12B.

¹⁰² 1930 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, Sharpsburg, enumerated 4/11/1930, p. 2B

¹⁰³ Pennsylvania, Certificate of Death, No. 420, File No. 20638, dated 2/27/1934

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On Dec. 31, 1931, Lawrence H. Welsh made his Last Will and Testament. A copy is provided at the end of this report. His Last Will and testament was offered for probate and ordered recorded on Aug. 26, 1938.

In 1934 an obituary read: “**MRS. ROY L. STRIDE** – Mrs. Edna Ingram Stride, wife of Roy L. Stride, died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Swope, Knoxville, Sunday afternoon at 4 o’clock, of pneumonia, aged 23 years. She is survived by her husband, a daughter, Lucille Stride, at home, and her mother, Mrs. Annie Ingram, Dargan, Washington county. The following brothers and sisters also survive: Robert, Jesse, John and Pat Ingram, Mrs. Philip Jamison, Dargan; Mrs. C. A. Bittinger, Hagerstown; Mrs. Kenneth Swope, Knoxville. Funeral Wednesday afternoon at 2 o’clock with services at Samples Manor church. Interment adjoining cemetery. J. L. Eackles, Harpers Ferry, funeral director.”¹⁰⁴

Bessie Irene Welsh Best died July 19, 1935, an obituary remains to be found.

Roy M. Best was confirmed Postmaster at Bakerton, W. Va. on Aug. 18, 1939.

The 1940 census listed Thomas Welsh, age 78, widowed, living on Road 30 in the same house he had occupied in 1935.¹⁰⁵ Apparently his son, Martin D. Welsh and family, had moved out.

Martin D. Welsh was confirmed Postmaster at Bakerton, W. Va. on Feb. 6, 1940 and assumed charge on Mar. 13, 1940. He was reconfirmed on Oct. 9, 1945, Aug. 7, 1947 and finally retired on April 30, 1962. Mrs. Dorothy V. Welsh assumed charge on Mar. 30, 1962, an overlap of a month, and remained in charge until Sept. 13, 1963 when that Post Office was discontinued and the mail was sent out of Harper’s Ferry.

The 1940 census listed Patrick L. Ingram, age 30, head of the household, single, a laborer in a stone quarry.¹⁰⁶ Living with him were: Annie, age 71, widowed mother; and Sherwood Dobann, age 18, single nephew, working as a laborer on a road project. This was the same house as in 1935, probably same house as in 1900.

The George L. Eichelberger family continued to live in the same house in Sharpsburg, he was 68 and still working as a house carpenter.¹⁰⁷ He was still married to Katie, age 66, and Donald, age 24, son, working as a laborer on a cemetery project; Arbutus [Caroline Jamison], age 15, daughter-in-law; and Donald Lee, age 11/12, grandson, were all living with them. The grandson, Donald Lee Eichelberger, had been born 4/6/1939 and lived until 7/21/1990.

Mary C. “Mollie” Welsh passed away May 9, 1940 due to arteriosclerosis. She was buried in Green Lawn Cemetery, Blair County, PA.

Thomas Benjamin Welsh died due to heart disease on July 22, 1941, at Bakerton, W. Va. At the time he was 80 years, 1 month and 18 days old, a widowed Lime & Stone Inspector.

¹⁰⁴ *The News*, Frederick, MD, newspaper, Monday, 12/24/1934, p. 5.

¹⁰⁵ 1940 U. S. Census, W. Virginia, Harper’s Ferry, enumerated 4/11/1940, p. 7B.

¹⁰⁶ 1940 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, District 11, enumerated 5/1/1940, p. 2B.

¹⁰⁷ 1940 U. S. Census, Maryland, Washington County, District 1, enumerated 4/7/1940, p. 7A.

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World War II came along and the following men registered for the draft:

Martin Dineen Welsh, age 50, born 4/22/1892, working for the Federal Government, Washington, D.C. and M. D. Welsh, Bakerton, W. Va.¹⁰⁸ He was married, 5'-6" tall, 170 lbs., blue eyes, gray hair, with a ruddy complexion.

Lester Donald Eichelberger, age 25, born 10/14/1915, working for W. P. A., Frederick, Md., and living at R.F.D. 1, Harpers Ferry.¹⁰⁹ Mrs. Arbutus Caroline Eichelberger of the home address would always know his address. He was 5'-8" tall, 110 lbs., brown eyes, brown hair and a light complexion.

Harold McClellan Walsh, age 18, born 11/14/1927, was a student, living in Bakerton, W. Va. He was single, 5'-2" tall, 130 lbs., brown eyes, brown hair, with a light complexion.

The widow Annie Gertrude Walsh Ingram died on Apr. 2, 1945, leaving nine children. Her obituary read: "**MRS. ANNIE G. INGRAM** – Mrs. Annie Gertrude Ingram, widow of Chas. W. Ingram, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Phil Jamison, Sharpsburg, Monday at 10:30 p.m., age 75. She was born and reared in Bakerton, W. Va., and was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Welsh. She was a member of the Church of God at Samples Manor. Besides Mrs. Jamison, she is survived by the following children: Robert, Jess and John, all of near Harpers ferry, Patrick Ingram and Mrs. C. A. Bittinger, both of Hagerstown; and Mrs. Kenneth Swope and Mrs. Katherine Dobson, both of Brunswick; one brother, Willie Welsh, Bakerton, a sister, Mrs. George Eichelberger, Harpers Ferry; 30 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Funeral



services will be held Thursday at 2:30 p.m. at the Church of God, Samples Manor, with Rev. S. A. Kipe and Rev. E. J. Stevenson, officiating; interment in the adjoining cemetery."¹¹⁰ Previous data was that Annie was born Oct. 25, 1869, whereas her tomb marker clearly indicates Oct. 25, 1871. While it may be in error, it is etched in stone and thus is recorded in the family statistics.

Katie Lee Irene Welsh Eichelberger, aged 73, died on Dec. 18, 1947. Her obituary read: "**MRS. KATIE IRENE EICHELBERGER**, aged 74, wife of George L. Eichelberger, died early Thursday at her home near Mountain Lock [Lock No. 37].

"Surviving besides her husband; brother William Welsh, Bakerton, WV; sons, Harvey, Bakerton; Charles, Martinsburg; George F. and Marvin, both of Hagerstown; Walter, Chestnut Grove; Martin L. and Donald, at home; daughters, Mrs. Raymond Churchey and Mrs. Allen Churchey, both of Sharpsburg; and Mrs. William Kretzer, Dargan.

"Services Saturday at 2 pm at Samples Manor Church of God with Rev. William A. Herpich and Rev. John F. Myers, officiating; interment in the Samples Manor Cemetery."¹¹¹

William Franklin Welsh, age 80, died on Oct. 4, 1953. His obituary read: "**William F. Welch** – William Franklin Welsh, 80, died on October 4 at the home of R. W. Ingram in Martinsburg, W.

¹⁰⁸ WW II Draft Registration card, Serial U3, dated April 27, 1942.

¹⁰⁹ WW II Draft Registration card, Serial 3272, order No. 390, dated Oct. 16, 1940.

¹¹⁰ *The Morning Herald*, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, Wednesday, 4/4/1945.

¹¹¹ *The Morning Herald*, Hagerstown, Md., newspaper, 12/19/1947.

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Va., where he had made his home for the past three years. He had been ill for some time. Mr. Welsh was a native of Jefferson County, W. Va. He was born in Bakerton and was the son of the late Thomas Benjamin and Annie Gertrude Murphy, and was a retired employee of the Standard Lime and Stone Company at Bakerton. His wife, Mrs. Dorothy Welsh, died some years ago. Several nieces and nephews survive. The funeral was held on Tuesday morning from the Eackles Funeral chapel with Rev. John Ryne officiating. Burial was in St. Peter's cemetery, Harper's Ferry, W. Va."¹¹²

In April 1964 we found the obituary: "HARPERS FERRY, APRIL 1 – Martin Dineen Welsh, Sr. 71, of Bakerton, retired postmaster and grocer, died Tuesday in Charles Town General Hospital after a long illness. Born at Bakerton, April 22, 1892, he was a son of Thomas B. and Maggie V. Flanagan Welsh. Mr. Welsh had been a school teacher in Washington County, Md., postmaster at Bakerton for 23 years, and a grocer there for 53 years. Surviving are his wife, Laura Ellen Lewis Welsh, Bakerton; three children – Harold M. and Martin D. Welsh, Jr., Bakerton, and Bobbie L. Welsh, Bolivar; one grandchild, Traci S. Welsh; and a niece, Mrs. Bertha Hoffman, Martinsburg. The body is at the Eackles Funeral Chapel and will be removed to the Bakerton Methodist Church, of which Mr. Welsh was a member, at 1 p.m. Friday, with services to be conducted at 2 p.m. by the Rev. James E. Smith. Burial will be in Mountain View Cemetery, Sharpsburg, Md."¹¹³

Pearl Virginia Welsh Emmart died on Jan. 17, 1973 in Washington, D.C., a widow, and was buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Shepherdstown, WV.

Anna Mary Welsh Hetzel died on July 31, 1976 in Bakerton and was buried in Mountain View Cemetery, Sharpsburg, MD.

Martha Mae Welsh Gary died on Aug. 8, 1978 in Bakerton, WV.

¹¹² *The Semi-Weekly News*, Harper's Ferry, W. Va., newspaper, 10/12/1953.

¹¹³ *Martinsburg Journal*, Martinsburg, W. Va., newspaper, 4/1/1964.

WALSH FAMILY HISTORY

VITAL STATISTICS OF WALSH FAMILY

Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died
Patrick Walsh	hus			1834/40
Honora	wife	1790		-1860
<i>Martin Walsh</i>	son	1814		9/18/1855
<i>Patrick Walsh</i>	son	1820		
<i>James Walsh</i>	son	1826		2/27/1871
<i>Thomas Benjamin Walsh</i>	son	1834	1859	3/18/1875
End of 1st Generation				
Martin Walsh	son	1814		9/18/1855
Wife	wife			
<i>Michael Walsh</i>	son	3/5/1846	3/3/1870	10/14/1922
James Walsh	hus	1826		2/27/1871
Margaret	wife			
Thomas Benjamin Walsh, Sr.	hus	7/1/1833	1859	3/18/1875
Anna "Annie" Gertrude Murphy	wife	9/13/1840		11/17/1922
<i>John Martin Walsh</i>	son	5/29/1859	3/24/1883	12/26/1928
<i>Thomas Benjamin Walsh, Jr.</i>	son	6/4/1861	10/12/1890	7/22/1941
<i>Patrick Henry Walsh</i>	son	3/17/1863	never	7/13/1931
<i>Nora Frances Walsh</i> (Moore)	dau	4/25/1865	2/2/1884	9/18/1927
<i>Annie Gertrude Walsh</i> (Ingram)	dau	10/25/1871 ¹¹⁴	8/25/1889	4/2/1945
<i>Mary E. Walsh</i>	dau	12/10/1870	infant	1871
<i>William Franklin Walsh</i>	son	1/29/1873	9/21/1926	10/4/1953
<i>Katie Lee Irene Walsh</i> (Eichelberger)	dau	1874	2/15/1891	12/18/1947
End of 2nd Generation				
Michael Walsh	hus	3/5/1846	3/3/1870	10/14/1922
Mary C. "Mollie" Howard	wife	8/1850		5/9/1940
<i>John Martin Walsh</i>	son	3/30/1870		2/24/1934
<i>Thomas Howard Walsh</i>	son	2/24/1877		
John Martin Welsh	hus	5/29/1859	3/24/1883	12/26/1928
Clara Dae Myers	wife	12/13/1863		11/6/1926
<i>Roy Martin Welsh</i>	son	1/7/1884	never	9/25/1932
<i>Lawrence Henry Welsh</i>	son	3/4/1885	1/29/1915	8/15/1938
<i>Bessie Irene Welsh</i> (Best)	dau	7/1/1889	12/23/1913	7/19/1935
<i>Anna Mary Welsh</i> (Hetzal)	dau	3/14/1891	4/8/1909	7/31/1976
<i>Daniel Thomas Welsh</i>	son	5/23/1893	infant	8/15/1895
<i>Martha Mae Welsh</i> (Geary)	dau	10/3/1894	5/16/1917	8/6/1978
<i>Pearl Virginia Welsh</i> (Emmart)	dau	11/27/1898	1/25/1930	1/17/1973

¹¹⁴ This date is per her tombstone. Other data indicates the birth year was 1869.

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Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died
Thomas Benjamin Welsh, Jr.	hus	6/4/1861	10/12/1890	7/22/1941
Margaret Virginia Flanagan	wife	10/14/1873		1/25/1925
<i>Martin Dineen Welsh, Sr.</i>	son	4/22/1892 ¹¹⁵	9/17/1915	3/31/1964
<i>Essie Tamson Welsh</i> (Manuel)	dau	5/3/1894	5/22/1912	8/16/1959
Patrick Henry Welsh	hus	3/17/1863	9/21/1926	7/12/1931
Dorothy Elizabeth Lloyd	wife	1864		9/24/1926
<i>Mary Welsh</i>	dau	9/24/1926	infant	9/24/1926
John McClellan Moore	hus	2/13/1863	2/2/1884	11/14/1933
Nora Frances Welsh	wife	4/25/1865		9/10/19278
<i>Bertha May Moore</i> (Clapp)	dau	11/9/1884		
<i>Laura B. Moore</i> (Mytinger)	dau	8/21/1886		10/27/1958
<i>John Mack Moore</i>	son	9/22/1889		5/15/1940
<i>Catherine M. Moore</i> (Kernan)	dau	1/1890		
<i>Nancy Lee Moore</i> (Neal)	dau	3/26/1892		3/4/1989
<i>Elsie Margarite Moore</i> (Riesley)	dau	6/2/1896	10/20/1917	2/17/1983
<i>Janie Scott Moore</i> (Davis)	dau	10/21/1899		3/9/1981
<i>John Garland Moore</i>	son	5/25/1902	twice	
<i>Juanita Stoddard Moore</i> (Horn)	dau	11/20/1904	10/13/1928	4/18/1988
Charles William Ingram	hus	3/31/1867	8/25/1889	11/13/1923
Annie Gertrude Welsh	wife	10/25/1871		4/2/1945
<i>Agnes Savilla Ingram</i> (Jamison)	dau	10/22/1890		8/23/1968
<i>Robert William Ingram</i>	son	5/8/1892		5/3/1956
<i>Jesse Arnold Ingram</i>	son	2/23/1894	1928	4/1960
<i>John Thomas Ingram</i>	son	11/15/1897		3/17/1973
<i>Clara R. Ingram</i> (Bittinger)	dau	11/27/1899		3/18/1993
<i>Katherine Ingram</i> (Dobson)	dau	7/31/1902		2/12/1891
<i>Anna Mary Ingram</i> (Swope)	dau	1/3/1906		7/28/1965
<i>Patrick L. Ingram</i>	son	6/20/1909		9/1980
<i>Edna G. Ingram</i> (Stride)	dau	1912		12/23/1934
William Franklin Welsh	hus	1/29/1873	9/21/1926	10/4/1953
Dorothy Elizabeth Lloyd	wife	2/6/1911		9/25/1926
George Lee Eichelberger	hus	1/8/1872	2/15/1891	12/18/1954
Katie Lee Irene Welsh	wife	1874		12/18/1947
<i>Harvey Lee Eichelberger</i>	son	12/31/1891	7/22/1914	2/1964
<i>Iva May Eichelberger</i> (Kretzer)	dau	8/12/1894	4/6/1913	6/28/1973
<i>Charles W. Eichelberger</i>	son	8/3/1897		3/8/1976
<i>George Franklin Eichelberger</i>	son	5/23/1900		9/16/1977
<i>Martin Luther Eichelberger</i>	son	5/27/1903		9/10/1980
<i>Walter L. Eichelberger</i>	son	10/15/1905		6/7/1971
<i>Marvin McClure Eichelberger</i>	son	4/27/1908		2/24/1978
<i>Ethel Irene Eichelberger</i> (Churchey)	dau	11/2/1910		6/11/1984

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WW I Draft Registration card, 582, No. 36, dated June 5, 1917.

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Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died
<i>Daisy Virginia Eichelberger</i>	dau	1/5/1913		12/25/1996
<i>Lester Donald Eichelberger</i>	son	10/14/1915		3/24/1990
End of 3rd Generation				
Lawrence Henry Welsh	hus	3/4/1885	1/29/1915	8/15/1938
Annie Mary Kidwiler	wife	1890		
<i>Virginia Elizabeth Welsh</i>	dau	1917	never	2/19/1931
Roy Best	hus	1887	12/23/1913	
Bessie Irene Welsh	wife	7/1/1889		
David Henry Hetzel	hus		4/8/1909	
Anna Mary Welch	wife	3/14/1891		
William Sheldon Geary	hus	1893	5/16/1917	
Martha Mae Welsh	wife	10/3/1894		
Martin Dineen Welsh, Sr.	hus	4/22/1892	9/17/1915	3/31/1964
Laura Ellen Lewis	wife	9/1/1897		
<i>Martin Dineen Welsh, Jr.</i>	son	1/30/1918		
<i>Harold McClellan Welsh</i>	son	11/14/1927		
<i>Bobby Linda Welsh</i>	son	5/13/1938		
Walter Lee Manuel	hus	1882	5/22/1912	
Essie Tamson Welsh	wife	5/3/1894		

WALSH FAMILY HISTORY

VITAL STATISTICS OF FLANAGAN FAMILY

Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died
William Flanagan (1st)	hus	12/25/1786	4/13/1809	9/1855
Martha Smith	wife	1791		10/13/1870
James Flanagan	son	1809	11/19/1835	8/13/1856
Ann Rebecca Flanagan (Daniels)	dau	1835	5/24/1852	10/15/1862
William Link (2nd)	hus			
Martha Smith Flanagan	wife	1791		10/13/1870
Rebecca Link (Hough)	dau			
Sally Link (Hendricks)	dau			
Margaret Link (Coffinberger)	dau			
Matt Link (Coffinberger)	dau			
John Link	son		twice	
Adam Link	son			
William Link	son			
Wesley Link	son			
Dennis Link	son			
End of 1st Generation				
James Flanagan	hus	1809	11/19/1835	8/13/1856
Frances Magdalena Griggs	wife	1808		4/9/1896
Laura Frances Flanagan (Moler)	dau	11/1/1836	12/20/1854	7/15/1917
Martha Elizabeth Flanagan	dau	6/6/1839		9/29/1857
Mary Catherine Flanagan (Licklider)	dau	2/2/1842	12/18/1866	8/5/1917
William McClanahan Flanagan	son	4/4/1844		2/20/1873
Nancy Rebecca Flanagan	dau	2/27/1846	infant	9/17/1846
James Smith Flanagan	son	10/16/1847	9/7/1870	12/4/1916
John Griggs Flanagan	son	9/13/1849	twice	7/29/1909
Alice Lee Flanagan (Hopper)	dau	8/12/1852	10/21/1875	
Charles Fenton Flanagan	son	4/14/1856		10/1880
Dennis M. Daniels	hus	1827	5/24/1852	
Ann Rebecca Flanagan	wife	1835		10/15/1862
Cora V. Daniels (Moler)	dau	1854		
John W. Daniels	son	4/28/1856		
Fonrose Daniels	son	1859		
End of 2nd Generation				
George William Moler	hus	12/1/1832	12/20/1854	7/26/1895
Laura Frances Flanagan	wife	11/1/1836		7/15/1917
Rosabell Moler	dau	7/10/1858		9/17/1860
George Newton Moler	son	3/1/1861		2/5/1947
Daniel Lee Moler	son	3/11/1869		6/28/1944
Frederick Flanagan Moler	son	11/14/1873	1/28/1903	2/19/1953
Harvey Tanner Moler	son	10/5/1876		
Robert Dudley Moler	son	2/4/1880		2/20/1937

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Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died
James Conrad Lickliger	hus		12/18/1866	
<i>Mary Catherine Flanagan</i>	wife	2/2/1842		8/5/1917
William McClanahan Flanagan	hus	4/4/1844		2/20/1873
Emma	wife			
James Smith Flanagan	hus	10/16/1847	9/2/1869	12/4/1916
Mary Ellen Caton	wife	4/21/1851		11/29/1899
<i>Martha Lee Flanagan</i> (Britner)	dau	6/7/1869	twice	7/23/1934
<i>Margaret Virginia Flanagan</i> (Welsh)	dau	10/14/1873	10/12/1890	1/25/1925
<i>Annie Frances Flanagan</i> (Moler)	dau	1/10/1873	1/4/1893	11/29/1918
<i>Essie Katherine Flanagan</i> (Bowman)	dau	7/5/1875	1/19/1905	1/9/1929
<i>Charles William Flanagan</i>	son	10/1877	11/21/1906	1/1939
<i>Walter Jerome Flanagan</i>	son	7/13/1880	twice	7/5/1954
<i>James Alvey Flanagan</i>	son	10/13/1883		8/11/1971
<i>John Griggs Flanagan</i>	son	3/15/1886		
<i>Berna A. Flanagan</i>	son	9/1888	infant	8/2/1889
<i>Oscar Strother Flanagan</i>	son	7/20/1892	never	6/2/1973
John Griggs Flanagan	hus	9/13/1849	10/26/1878	7/29/1909
Eliza Jane Tamson Krepps (1 st)	wife	1857		9/7/1892
Flanagan	son	10/1880	still born	10/1880
John Griggs Flanagan (1 st)	hus	9/13/1849	6/3/1897	7/29/1909
Bertha D. Spickler (2 nd)	wife	1872		1961
<i>John Griggs Flanagan</i>	son	5/19/1898	never	3/25/1913
A. A. Lamon (2 nd)	hus	1870	11/30/1914	
Bertha D. Flanagan (widowed)	wife	1872		1961
Asbury McClellan Hopper	hus	1839	10/21/1875	
Alice Lee Flanagan	wife	8/12/1852		
Adam Moler	hus			
Cora V. Daniels	wife			
<i>Fontrose Moler</i>	son			
<i>Carlton Moler</i>	son			
<i>Miller Moler</i>	son			
<i>Maude Moler</i> (Hendricks)	dau			
<i>Nannie Moler</i>	dau		never	
<i>Lucretia Moler</i> (Moler)	dau			
End of 3 rd Generation				
George Newton Moler	hus	3/1/1861		2/5/1947
Angelica Schell	wife			
Daniel Lee Moler	hus	3/11/1869		6/28/1944
Florence E. Lockhart	wife			

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Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died
Frederick Flanagan Moler	hus	11/14/1873	1/28/1903	2/19/1953
Mary Elizabeth Engle	wife	10/16/1880		11/4/1941
<i>Robert Dudley Moler</i>	hus	2/4/1880		2/20/1937
Ada L. Link	wife			
James Metcalf Myers	hus	7/13/1853	8/27/1918	3/7/1928
Martha Lee Flanagan (2 nd)	wife	6/7/1869		7/23/1934
William Jackson Britner	hus		11/24/1928	
<i>Martha Lee</i> Flanagan Myers	wife	6/7/1869		7/23/1934
Thomas Buchanon Welsh, Jr.	hus	6/4/1861	10/12/1890	7/22/1941
Margaret Virginia Flanagan	wife	10/14/1872		1/22/1925
<i>Martin Dineen Welsh, Sr.</i>	son	4/22/1892	9/17/1915	3/31/1964
<i>Essie Tamson Welsh</i> (Manuel)	dau	5/3/1894		8/16/1959
Raleigh William Moler	hus	1866	1/4/1893	
Annie Frances Flanagan	wife	1/10/1873		11/29/1918
William Oscar Bowman	hus	7/26/1881	1/19/1905	11/17/1947
Essie Katherine Flanagan	wife	7/5/1875		1/9/1929
Charles William Flanagan	hus	10/1877	11/21/1906	1/1939
Florence V. Knobe	wife	1876		
Walter Jerome Flanagan	hus	7/13/1880	12/6/1905	7/5/1954
Daisy E. Jones (1 st)	wife	1885		
<i>Harold E. Flanagan</i>	son	1908		
Walter Jerome Flanagan	hus	7/13/1880		7/5/1954
Grace McInturff (2 nd)	wife			
James Alvey Flanagan	hus	10/13/1883	1904	8/11/1971
Delia Etta Powell	wife	1876		
<i>James A. Flanagan, Jr.</i>	son	1906		
<i>Charles Robert Flanagan</i>	son	8/9/1908		3/24/1930
John G. Flanagan	hus	3/15/1886		5/13/1958
Ruth E. Moler	wife	1/4/1892		

WALSH FAMILY HISTORY

The Hugh and Jane Dowling family were living in Liverpool, Lancaster, England when Joseph J. Dowling was born in 1814. Their first five children were born there. The birth location for the next two have not been found, however, the daughter Martha Ann Dowling was also born in 1820 in Baltimore, Maryland, suggesting triplets only one of which survived. Sometime between Nov. 1819 and 1820 the family emigrated to America, arriving in Baltimore in time for the birth of Martha Ann Dowling. William and Thomas Dowling were also born in Baltimore.

Joseph J. Dowling married Josephine E. Gibson on Nov. 4, 1838, in a Methodist Episcopal Church, Baltimore, Maryland. Daughter Jane was born in 1838, in Baltimore, and died an infant on Feb. 20, 1840, in Baltimore. Son Charles A. was also born in 1838 (probably a twin), in Baltimore and died on Feb. 16, 1841, in Baltimore. Their third child, daughter, Mary Virginia, was born in Feb. 1842, in Baltimore, and lived until 1907. Their daughter Josephine, was born Aug. 9, 1844, in Georgetown, Washington, D. C. and lived until 1928.

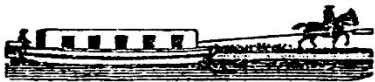
The canal boat *Hornet*, Capt. Dowling, arrived in Georgetown on 3/6/1847 with 480 bbls. flour from mile post 106 [Charles Mill]. Then that canal boat made five subsequent trips, arriving on 3/27, 5/27, 8/24, 9/18 and 12/21/1847, freighting coal from the Harper's Ferry area to Georgetown. We also found the canal boat *Star*, Capt. Dowling, arrived on 8/10/1847 with 45 tons of coal from the Harper's Ferry area. We surmise that the Joseph Dowling family arrived in Harper's Ferry early in 1847 and Capt. Joseph Dowling began boating for others, i.e. there is no record that he owned either boat.

In June 1848 we found the adjacent advertisement, which ran continuously for three months.

Joseph's sister, Phebe, died Nov. 3, 1848, in Baltimore. Their son, Thomas, was born in 1849, in West Virginia, presumably in Harper's Ferry.

Prior to August 7, 1849, Hunter & Dowling began a Forwarding and Commission Business. It appears that [Andrew?] Hunter ran the Georgetown end and Joseph Hunter ran the Harpers Ferry end of the business.

BOATING AND FORWARDING.



MONEY SAVED BY THE FARMER AND MERCHANT.

THE subscribers would most respectfully mention to the business portion of the community, that they have erected a large, convenient and safe Warehouse on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal and Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, at Harpers-Ferry, Va., at which place they will always be ready and willing to receive Merchandise, Grain, Flour, &c., for re-shipment either to the District of Columbia or Baltimore, or any points West of this place. They would state that they make their charges to correspond with the times. They have Boats constantly running from this point to the District of Columbia; and keep constantly on hand, during the season,

Salt, Fish, Plaster, Lumber, &c., which they will sell at the lowest market prices, and on fair terms.

HUNTER & DOWLING.
Harpers-Ferry, Oct. 16, 1849.

They advertised on Aug. 7, 1849 that they had boats constantly running to Georgetown and Alexandria. Their advertisement improved on Oct. 16, 1849, as shown adjacent. The canal boat *Hornet* arrived on 11/23/1849 bringing coal from Harpers Ferry.

Joseph's sister, Martha Ann, died May 29, 1850, in Georgetown.

IMPORTANT TO FARMERS,



MILLERS AND OTHERS.

THE subscriber having located himself permanently at Harpers-Ferry, would most respectfully inform the citizens of Jefferson, Rockingham, Clarke and the adjoining counties, that his fine line of Boats are constantly running to and from Georgetown and Alexandria. He will at all times during the seasons, have on hand *Fish, Salt, Potatoes, Plaster, Plank, Shingles, Laths, Water Melons, &c. &c.* all of which he will sell at a very small advance on the cost.

He will at all times be ready to receive Flour, Grain and other freightage for the District of Columbia or Alexandria. As his boats are daily leaving and arriving at this point, there will at all times be an opportunity for Farmers and others to send their produce into market in a very short space of time; and he pledges himself to take produce to those cities, or bring them to this point, on the most accommodating terms. He can at all times be found at Harpers-Ferry, by enquiring at Mr. Carrell's Hotel, or at the store of F. J. Conrad & Bro. **JOSEPH DOWLING.**
Harpers-Ferry, June 13, 1848—3m.

WALSH FAMILY HISTORY

The 1850 census listed H[ugh] Dowling, age 59, born in England, a trader in lime, living in Georgetown.¹¹⁶ Living with him were: J[ane], age 60, wife, M[artha Ann], age 18, and two unrelated persons. It would seem that the family business was merchandizing lime.

The 1850 census reported Joseph Dowling, age 34, born in England, a boatman, with real estate valued at \$3,000 as living in dwelling 1831.¹¹⁷ He lived there with his wife, Josephine E. Gibson Dowling, age 28, born in D.C.; daughter Virginia, age 8, born in Maryland; daughter Josephine, age 5, born in D. C.; and son, Thomas, age 1, born in [West] Virginia. The son, Thomas, died in 1850, after the census was taken.

In late 1850 a newspaper reported: **THE COAL TRADE ON THE CANAL**

“Among the most enterprising, as also among the most polite and accommodating firms engaged in transporting Coal and other freight, between Cumberland and Georgetown, is Hunter & Dowling, the later of whom resides at Harpers Ferry, and is well known to the citizens of our county. This firm recently engaged vary largely in the transportation of coal from Cumberland to Georgetown, and after considerable expense and delay, consequent upon a deficiency of water in the canal, reached Harpers Ferry on the evening of the 7th of November, at 8 o’clock, with four boats – Eckhart, Mountaineer [*sic.* Mountain Ranger], M. A. Davidson and W. T. Harrison [*sic.* Hamilton] – each boat carrying 104 tons of coal, the largest amount that has yet been transported by any boats on the canal. These boats appeared to glide on the bosom of the waters as smoothly and easily as other with half their amount of tonnage, and we will venture the suggestion that they can carry 150 tons to the boat.

“The citizens of Harpers Ferry, who feel a deep interest in the enterprise, upon hearing of the arrival of these boats, met en masse and hoisted the star-spangled banner upon the warehouse of Capt. Dowling and fired four rounds of cannon, one for each boat, as they buoyantly floated down the canal, drawn by four mules each, which are unsurpassed for strength and beauty by any teams used on the canal; and upon their departure four salutes were given again from the cannon.

“The citizens of Harpers Ferry, and our county at large, have a deep interest in the success of an enterprise which identifies them, by this chain of communication, with Cumberland and Georgetown. It is an enterprise in which the hopes, the labor, the perseverance, and the means, to a very large extent, of this worthy, intelligent and enterprising Company have been embarked.

“When the boats started from Cumberland, as reported in the Cumberland *Allegianian*, the Freeman Rawdon, a boat of Capt. Ward, actuated by a spirit of emulation, determined to report herself as carrying a larger amount of coal than Capt. Dowling, placed on her 105 tons 600 lbs. of coal, but before the Freeman Rawdon reached Hancock, she was forced by her inability to carry the amount to lay off 19 tons. Thus gaining the credit of transporting the largest amount of coal, when in fact Capt. Dowling & Co. have reached here with over 20 tons more than this other boat. May the labors of this honest and enterprising firm be richly rewarded.”¹¹⁸

Joseph’s sister, Margaret S., died Sep. 8. 1851, in Baltimore. His father, Hugh Dowling, died on Feb. 1, 1859, in Washington, D.C.

¹¹⁶ 1850 U. S. Census, Virginia, District of Columbia, Georgetown, enumerated 6/26/1850, p. 4.

¹¹⁷ 1850 U. S. Census, Virginia, Jefferson County, District 28, enumerated 10/4/1850, p. 25.

¹¹⁸ *Spirit of Jefferson*, Charles Town, W. Va. newspaper, Tuesday, 11/12/50, p. 2.

Hunter & Dowling registered, on 4/16/1851, the five canal boats: *David Seigle* [sold on or about 5/18/1853], *Mountain Ranger*, *Eckhart*, *M. H. Ensminger* [sold on or about 3/31/1852] and *Enoch J. Neal*, all were Class C, 89'-2" in length, 14'-2" in breadth, 9" draft light, and 60" draft loaded. And on 5/8/1851, Hunter & Dowling registered the canal boat *William T. Hamilton* of the exact same size as the previous five canal boats. We find that the canal boat *Eckhart* was commanded by Capt. James H. Robinson.¹¹⁹ We surmise that Joseph Dowling captained one of the boats.

**CANAL BOATS
AT AUCTION!**
By Barnard & Buckey,
GEORGETOWN D. C.

WILL be sold at Public Auction at Georgetown, on Saturday November 6th, at 12½ o'clock, P. M., at the canal basin, the four below named Canal Boats, to wit: 'MOUNTAIN RANGER,' 'ECKHART,' 'E. J. NEAL,' and W. T. HAMILTON. These boats are two years old and were built for the coal trade. They are but little worn.
SALE POSITIVE.
TERMS:—One-third of the purchase money will be required in cash, the balance in two equal payments at six and twelve months from day of sale, to be secured by notes bearing interest with approved security, or the whole of the purchase money may be paid in Cash, at the option of the purchaser.
BARNARD & BUCKEY,
Auctioneers.
Oct 26—

We see from the adjacent advertisement that Hunter & Dowling sold four of their canal boats on Nov. 6, 1852. These four canal boats were built to haul coal, vice grain or lime. The ad was placed in the *Georgetown Advocate* and in the *Daily National Intelligencer*, both Washington, D.C. newspaper, on Oct. 26, 1852 and ran daily until the auction.

The 1860 census listed a Joseph Dowling, age 45, born in England, a farmer, living in Mount Vernon, Jefferson County, Illinois.¹²⁰ Living with him were: Josephine, age 40, wife; Virginia, age 15, daughter; Josephine, age 15, daughter; and two others, unrelated, who helped with the farm.

Then in 1866 we find Joseph Dowling working as a superintendent at a lime kiln, with a home address of 45 Gay street [now N street, NW, east of Wisconsin Ave].¹²¹ Son, Thomas, was listed as an auction and

commission merchant with office at 174 Bridge street, home at 125 Washington street. Brother, William, was listed as owner of a lime kiln at Olive, corner Rock creek and a feed store at 170 Bridge street, home at 125 Washington street. We surmise that Thomas' office was adjacent to the lime kiln and feed store and he lived with his uncle, William.

Joseph's wife, Josephine, died in June 1867, in Washington, D.C. That same year Joseph was listed as working at William Dowling & Bro. [lime kiln] at 44 Bridge street, Georgetown.¹²² Thomas was listed as an auctioneer, living at 114 Greene street, Georgetown. William was listed as owner of William Dowling & Bro., 44 Bridge street. There was a second listing for William Dowling & Bro. [William and Joseph Dowling] lime kiln, corner of Olive, Georgetown.

In 1868, Joseph Dowling was listed as a furniture dealer at 44 Bridge street, no change in home address.¹²³ Son, Thomas, was again listed as an auctioneer with office at 174 Bridge street, but

¹¹⁹ *Daily National Intelligencer*, Washington, D.C., newspaper, Thursday, 6/19/1851, p. 3.

¹²⁰ 1860 U. S. Census, Illinois, Jefferson County, Mount Vernon, enumerated 6/1/1860, p. 28.

¹²¹ 1866 Georgetown City Directory, p. 410.

¹²² 1867 Georgetown City Directory, p. 236.

¹²³ 1868 Georgetown City Directory, p. 104.

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home relocated to 114 Green street. Brother, William, was still the owner of a lime kiln at Rock creek and Bridge street, with his home then in Montgomery county, Md.

In 1870 Joseph Dowling was listed as a clerk, apparently living at 1761 K street, NW.¹²⁴ Thomas was still listed as an auctioneer in Georgetown. Joseph died on Nov. 6, 1870 in Georgetown, of consumption. He was buried in Oak Hill Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

In that same 1870 census, William Downey, age 44, a lime manufacturer, with real estate valued at \$20,000 and a personal estate valued at \$3,000 was living in Georgetown.¹²⁵ Living with him were: Elizabeth, age 48, wife; John W., age 17, son, a clerk in lime office; Albert, age 16, son, a clerk in lime office; Mary J., age 9, daughter; and Charles R., age 5, son. He lived all his adult life in the Georgetown area.

Thomas Dowling continued, with his son, in the auction business selling real estate in the Georgetown area.¹²⁶ He died on Nov. 3, 1900, in Georgetown.

¹²⁴ 1870 Georgetown City Directory, p. 111.

¹²⁵ 1870 U. S. Census, District of Columbia, Georgetown, enumerated 7/19/1870, p. 191.

¹²⁶ *Evening Star*, Washington, D. C., newspaper, Thursday, 3/26/1891, p. 6.

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VITAL STATISTICS OF DOWLING FAMILY

Name	Rel.	Born	Married	Died	Born In
Hugh Dowling	hus	1789		2/26/1859	England
Jane Frances Roberts	wife	1788		7/16/1871	England
<i>Joseph J. Dowling</i>	son	7/27/1814		11/6/1870	England
<i>Phebe E. J. Dowling</i>	dau	1815		11/3/1848	England
<i>Margaret A. Dowling</i>	dau	1815		9/8/1851	England
John Dowling	son	11/1817	infant	7/1819	England
Mary Dowling	dau	2/1819	infant	11/1819	England
----- Dowling	dau	1820	infant	1825	
----- Dowling	son	1820	infant	1825	
<i>Martha Ann Dowling</i>	dau	1820	never	5/29/1850	Maryland
<i>William Dowling</i>	son	1827	9/2/1851	7/1884	Maryland
Thomas Dowling	son	9/1832		11/3/1900	Maryland
End of 1st Generation					
Joseph J. Dowling	hus	7/27/1814	11/4/1838	11/6/1870	Maryland
Josephine E. Gibson	wife	1819		6/1867	Maryland
<i>Emma Jane Dowling</i>	dau	1838	infant	2/20/1840	Maryland
<i>Charles A. Dowling</i>	son	1838	infant	2/16/1841	Maryland
<i>Mary Virginia Dowling</i>	dau	2/1842		1907	Maryland
<i>Josephine Dowling</i>	dau	8/9/1844		1928	Washington, D.C.
<i>Thomas Dowling</i>	son	1849		1860	W. Virginia
William Dowling	hus	1827	9/2/1851	7/1884	Maryland
Elizabeth Butler	wife	1820		1891	
<i>John W. Downey</i>	son	1853			Washington, D.C.
<i>Albert Downey</i>	son	1854			Washington, D.C.
<i>Mary J. Downey</i>	dau	1861			Washington, D.C.
<i>Charles R. Dowling</i>	son	1865			Washington, D.C.
Thomas Dowling	hus	9.1832	1855	11/3/1900	Maryland
Amanda E. Widney	wife	1835		1910	
<i>Frank Widney Dowling</i>	son	6/20/1861		1937	Washington, D.C.
<i>Noble Chapman Dowling</i>	son	7/15/1864			Washington, D.C.
<i>Harry Widney Dowling</i>	son	12/16/1866			Washington, D.C.
Thomas Dowling	son	5/1869			Washington, D.C.
Grace A. Dowling	dau	3/1875			Washington, D.C.

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE undersigned would respectfully inform the Public, that they have leased, for a term of years, the large and commodious

BRICK WAREHOUSE,

recently built by Captain George Reynolds, on the river bank, adjacent to the Warehouse of Mr. Short, and having good and substantial CANAL

BOATS, are now prepared



to carry on, under the name and firm of Staley and Shafer, the **BOATING AND PRODUCE BUSINESS,** in all its varieties.

Our experience in the business, and a fixed determination to do it in such a manner as will prove satisfactory, will, we humbly expect, secure for us a liberal share of public patronage.

It is the design of one of the undersigned, to be generally with the boats, to attend to sales of Produce, &c., (when not consigned to agents,) whereby the usual charge for commission will be saved to the owner, and the best possible prices obtained.

We intend keeping on hand, ground and stone

Plaster, Salt, Fish, Tar, &c.,

and any other article wanted from the District, procured for customers free of any charge, save the cost and the usual freight.

The market price for **FLOUR, WHEAT, CORN, RYE, AND OATS,** will be paid in CASH, on delivery at the Warehouse; or it is at the option of the holder to deliver any Wheat purchased, either at the Warehouse or at Reynolds's Potomac Mills, as we intend to purchase only for home manufacture.

Farmers wishing to exchange their Wheat for Flour, can, at short notice, be accommodated by the undersigned, with Flour manufactured at the Potomac Mills.

JACOB STALEY,
ALEX. SHAFER.

Shepherdstown, August 19, 1841 --tf.

The adjacent advertisement was found in the *Virginia Free Press* of Charles Town, Va. on Aug. 19, 1841. The same advertisement also appeared on Oct. 28, 1841 in the same newspaper. The ad says they have good and substantial canal boats.

Then on Dec. 23, 1841 the following advertisement was found. Apparently, the business venture did not last very long.

Dissolution of Partnership

THE partnership heretofore existing under the name of STALEY & SHAFER, in the Boating Business, was dissolved by mutual consent on the 20th day of December last.

JACOB STALEY,
ALEX. SHAFER.

Shepherdstown, Dec. 16. 1841.

It appears that Alex Shafer remained in the boating business. A decade later we find that on 4/23/1851 the canal boat *Catherine Shafer*, hailing from Cedar Grove, Class B, 85'-3" in length, 14' in beam, 12" draft light, 48" draft loaded, and owned by Alex Shafer of Washington County, Md. was registered to navigate on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. And in 1851, that boat made at least eleven trips, ten from mile post 89 - Charles Mill and one from mile post 86 - Inlet Lock No. 4, always freighting corn and/or wheat, never coal. In 1852 the *Catherine Shafer* made at least three trips, the first from Charles Mill; the Point of Origin for the other two was not listed, probably Charles Mill. The identity or relationship of Catherine Shafer to Alex Shafer has not been found.

No other canal boats were found registered to either Jacob Staley or Alex Shafer.

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Allegany County Courthouse, Cumberland, Md., Deed Book 25, page 487, 4/10/1867.

At the request of Frederick Mertens this Mortgage was recorded April 10th 1867.

This Mortgage made on this third day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven by me, William M. Flannagan of Jefferson County in the State of Virginia to Frederick Mertens of Allegany County in the State of Maryland.

Witnesseth, Whereas I the said Wm. M. Flannagan am now indebted by my promissory note in the sum of eight hundred dollars dated even date with this Mortgage, payable to the said Frederick Mertens at one year after date, and in order to secure the payment of the same, I have granted and by these presents do grant unto the said Frederick Mertens the following property, to wit: one Canal Boat called "*James Flanagan, Sr.*" Provided, if I the said William M. Flannagan shall pay to said Frederick Mertens the said sum of eight hundred dollars with the interest thereon, on or before the third day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, then this Mortgage shall be void. And I the said William M. Flannagan covenant that in default of the payment of the said sum of eight hundred dollars with the interest thereon at maturity, to the said Frederick Mertens or his assigns, then the said Frederick Mertens or his assigns may seize said Canal Boat called "*James Flanagan, Sr.*" immediately and sell the same to the highest bidder for cash, after first giving ten day's notice by hand bills in the City of Cumberland and satisfy said sum or any part that may yet remain due, and all expenses of such sale for and if there be an overplus, to pay the same to me the said William M. Flannagan, or my assigns. Witness my hand and seal.

Test: Andrew Gonder
{Seal}

William M. Flannagan

State of Maryland, Allegany County, to wit: On this 3rd day of April in the year of our Lord 1867, personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland, in and for Allegany County, William M. Flannagan and acknowledged the foregoing Mortgage to be his act. And at the same time also appeared before me Frederick Mertens and made oath in due form of law that the consideration set forth in the said foregoing mortgage is true and bona fide as therein set forth. In Testimony whereof I have subscribed my name.

Andrew Gonder, J.P.

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Allegheny County Courthouse, Cumberland, Md., Deed Book 41, page 572, 7/16/1874.

At the request of F. Mertens this Mortgage was recorded July 16th 1874.

This Mortgage made this seventh day of July in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four by us, John G. Flanagan and Brother [i.e. James Smith Flanagan] of Jefferson County, in the State of West Virginia. Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of fourteen hundred dollars, now due from us, the said John G. Flanagan & Brother to Frederick Mertens of Allegheny County and State of Maryland, and in order to secure the payment thereof to the said Frederick Mertens, we, the said John G. Flanagan & Brother do hereby bargain and sell to the said Frederick Mertens the following property: one Canal Boat called the "*Wm. H. Godey*." Provided, that if we, the said John G. Flanagan & Brother shall pay to the said Frederick Mertens or his assigns the said sum of fourteen hundred dollars with the interest thereon from the date hereof mentioned in two equal installments of seven hundred dollars each, the first installment to be paid by the first day of January eighteen hundred and seventy-five, and the second installment to be paid by the first day of July eighteen hundred and seventy-five, then this Mortgage shall be void. And the said John G. Flanagan & Brother do hereby covenant and agree, that if in default of the payment of any of said hereinbefore mentioned installments, the said Frederick Mertens or his assigns may and is hereby authorized to seize said boat and sell the same to the highest bidder, for cash, wherever the same may be or seized and taken, after first giving notice by hand bills for at least ten days of such sale, and then pay himself the amount that may be still due to him, and all expenses attending the sale and seizure, and if there then be any overplus, to pay the same to us, the said John G. Flanagan & Brother, or our assigns.

In witness whereof, we have subscribed our name and affixed our seal.

Teste: Andrew Gonder.

John G. Flanagan {Seal}

State of Maryland, Allegheny County, to wit: I hereby certify that on this seventh day of July, 1874, before me, the subscriber, personally appeared, John G. Flanagan, one of the firm of John G. Flanagan & Brother and acknowledged the foregoing Mortgage to be our act and deed.

Andrew Gonder, J.P.

State of Maryland, Allegheny County, to wit: Be it remembered and it is hereby certified that on this seventh day of July 1874, before me, the subscriber a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for Allegheny County, personally appeared Frederick Mertens, mortgagee in the foregoing mortgage, and made oath on the Holy Evangely of Almighty God, that the consideration set forth in the foregoing Mortgage is true and bona fide, as herein set forth. In witness whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name, on the day and year aforesaid.

Andrew Gonder, J. P.

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Jefferson County, Charles Town, W. Va., Will Book E, #27, p. 94.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ANNIE WELCH, DECEASED.

I, Annie Welsh, widow of Thomas Welsh, make this my last will and testament. I herein bequeath to each of my children One dollar, same to be paid to them by son Wm. Franklin Welsh.

To my son Franklin Welsh – I bequeath in addition to above, my home where I now reside, and its entire contents. In consideration of the gift to Wm. Franklin Welsh, he is to support me the remainder of my life, providing me the things that are essential for the preservation of my natural existence, such as food, raiment, medicine, &c., furthermore, mu son Wm. Franklin Welsh is to defray the cost of my Doctor bills, that may accrue, or any other just bills that may come against my estate. Also, my body is to be decently buried, and cost of same to be paid for by Wm. Franklin Welsh.

In testimony whereof, I this day and date subscribe my name in the presence of the following witnesses.

August 28th 1917

Annie Welsh

Witness: J. S. Reinhart

C. D. Carter

State of West Virginia, County of Jefferson, Sct:

IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT: NOV. 22ND 1922.

A paper writing bearing date of August 28th 1917, purporting to be the last will and testament of Annie Welsh, late of Bakerton, Jefferson County, West Virginia, was this day, November 22nd 1922, offered for probate in said office, and on same day in said office said writing was fully proved by J. B. Reinhart and C. D. Carter, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who made oath in due form of law, that the said testatrix in their presence published and declared said writing as and for her last will and testament, that they subscribed their names as witnesses thereto, at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other, all signing at the same time, that they believe said testatrix was of sound sense and memory at the time of so doing and that she was over the age of twenty one years.

Thereupon it is ordered that said writing be recorded as and for the Last Will and Testament of the said Annie Welsh, deceased.

Teste:

Chas. A. Johnson, Clerk of said Court.

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Jefferson County, Charles Town, W. Va., Will Book E, #4, p. 481.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JOHN M. WELSH AND CLARA WELSH,
BOTH DECEASED.

We, John M. Welsh and Clara Welsh, his wife, of Bakerton, W. Virginia, realizing that John M. Welsh owns all the personalty and that Clara Welsh, wife of John M. Welsh, owns the House and lot where we now reside, also realizing the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, do make and declare this our joint WILL and testament in manner and form as follows.

If I, John M. Welsh, should die before my wife, Clare Welsh, I wish her to have the income from all my personalty of what-ever description I may have at my death, during her natural life and at her death the household effects to be equally divided between my 6 children, namely – Roy M. Welsh, Bessie I. Best, Anna Mary Hetzell, Lawrence H. Welsh, Martha Gary and Pearl C. Welsh. All the money, either in notes, bonds, insurance or in any other shape or form I leave and bequeath to my youngest daughter, Pearl V. Welsh in fee simple.

If I, Clara Welsh, should die before my husband, John M. Welsh, I wish him to have the use of during his natural life the house and lot where we now reside, located in Bakerton, W. Va., and at his death the house and lot I leave to my son Roy M. Welsh and daughter Pearl V. Welsh. Should either marry, then the single one to have the house and lot for a home or should both marry then it is to be equally divided between my 6 children, namely – Roy M. Welsh, Bessie I. Best, Anna Mary Hetzell, Lawrence H. Welsh, Martha Gary and Pearl C. Welsh.

I want my son Roy M. Welsh to have TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) out of the house and lot. This is for improvements he has made upon the property and paid for himself.

I hereby appoint DR. S. T. KNOTT our executor of this our Last Will and Testament and would request him to see that the above named daughter Pearl V. Welsh receive the above named bequest.

Witness our signatures this ---- day of April 1923.

John M. Walsh
Clara Welsh

We the undersigned, at the request of John M. Welsh and Clara Welsh, his wife, and in the presence of both of them and in the presence of each other, do hereby acknowledge their signature to the above instrument consisting of one typewritten page.

Hugh B. Moler

Martin D. Moler

May 24th, 1923

State of West Virginia, County of Jefferson, Sct.

IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT; JANUARY 3RD, 1929.

A paper writing bearing date of May 24th, 1923, purporting to the Joint Last Will and Testament of John M. Welsh and Clara Welsh, his wife, both deceased, late of Bakerton, Jefferson County, West Virginia, was this day, January 3rd, 1929, offered for probate in said office, and on the same day in said office said writing was fully proved by Hugh B. Moler and Martin D. Welsh [*sic*. Moler], the subscribing witnesses thereto, who made oath in due form of law that the aforesaid testator and the aforesaid testatrix in their presence, published and declared said writing as and for their Joint Last Will and Testament, that they subscribed their names as witness thereto at the request of the said testator and of the said testatrix, in the presence of the said testator and of the said testatrix and in the presence of each other, all signing at the same time, that they believe said

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testator and said testatrix were of sound sense and memory, at the time of so doing, and that they were over the age of twenty-one years.

Whereupon it is ordered that said writing be recorded as and for the Joint Last Will and Testament of the said John M. Welsh and the said Clara Welsh, deceased.

Test:

Charles A. Johnson, Clerk of said Court
by Emily A. M. Stanley, D. C.

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Jefferson County, Charles Town, W. Va., Will Book E-F, #30, p. 200.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF PATRICK WELSH, DECEASED

I, Patrick Welsh, of Bakerton, Jefferson County, West Virginia, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby revoking any and all other wills heretofore made by me.

FIRST, I hereby direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my death as is convenient for my Executor, hereinafter named to do so.

SECOND, I will and bequeath the sum of \$10. to the Catholic Priest officiating and in charge of my funeral services at the time of my death, and Pastor in charge of the Catholic Church of Harpers Ferry, W. Va., at said death.

THIRD, After payment of my just debts, funeral expenses, and said legacy of \$10. to said Priest, I will, devise, and bequeath all of my property, real, personal and mixed, wheresoever situated, to my brother, William F. Walsh, absolutely and in fee, whom I appoint as my Executor, and direct that he be allowed to qualify and administer on my said estate without giving security.

Given under my hand and seal, this 27th of November, 1922.

Witness to mark:

F. L. Bushong

his
Patrick X Welsh {SEAL}
mark

ATTESTATION CLAUSE:

Signed, sealed, published and declared by Patrick Welsh, testator, as and for his last will and testament, in the presence of us, two competent witnesses, both present at the same time, who, at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of one another, have hereunto subscribed our names as attesting witnesses.

J. S. Reinhart
WITNESSES
C. D. Carter

State of West Virginia, County of Jefferson, sct:

IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF COUNTY COURT: JULY 16TH 1931.

A paper bearing date November 27th, 1922, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Patrick Welsh, late of Bakerton, Jefferson County, West Virginia, was this day, July 16, 1931, offered for probate in said office, and on same day in said office said writing was fully proved by J. S. Reinhart and C. D. Carter, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who made oath in due form of law that the aforesaid testator, in their presence, published and declared said writing as and for his Last Will and Testament, that they subscribed their names as witnesses thereto at the request

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of the said testator, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, all signing at the same time, that they believe said testator was of sound sense and memory at the time of so doing, and over the age of twenty-one years.

Thereupon it is ordered that said writing be recorded as and for the Last Will and Testament of Patrick Welsh, deceased.

Test,

Chas. A. Johnson, Clerk of said Court.

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Jefferson County, Charles Town, W. Va., Will Book G-H, #43, p. 146.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF LAWRENCE H. WELSH,
DECEASED

I, Lawrence H. Walsh, resident of Bakerton, Jefferson County, West Virginia, do make this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking any and all wills heretofore made by me.

I give, devise and bequeath all my estate, personal, real and mixed, of whatsoever kind and wheresoever situate, to my wife, Annie Welsh, absolutely and in fee simple.

I appoint my said wife, Annie Welsh, Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, and request that she be allowed to qualify without giving any security on her bond as such Executrix.

Done this 30th day of December, 1931.

Lawrence H. Welsh

P. S. Millard, Witness

Emily A. M. Stanley, Witness

State of West Virginia, County of Jefferson, to wit:

IN THE CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COURT, AUGUST 18TH, 1938

A paper writing bearing date of December 30th, 1931, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Lawrence H. Welsh, late of Bakerton, Jefferson County, West Virginia, was this day, August 18th, 1938, offered for probate in said office, and on same day in said office, said writing was partly proven by P. S. Millard, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who made oath in due form of law, that the aforesaid testator, in his presence and in the presence of the other subscribing witness thereto, viz: Emily A. M. Stanley, published and declared said writing as and for his Last Will and Testament, that he and the said Emily A. M. Stanley subscribed their names as witness thereto, at the request of the said testator, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, all signing at the same time, that he believed said testator was of sound sense and memory at the time of so doing, and over the age of twenty-one years.

Thereupon it is ordered that said writing do lie in said office for further proof.

Test:

Emily A. M. Stanley, Clerk of said Court.

At a Special Session of the County Court of said County and State, held at the Court House thereof, on Friday, August 26th, 1938, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M., pursuant to notice duly entered and posted.

A paper writing bearing date of December 30th, 1931, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Lawrence H. Welsh, late of Bakerton, Jefferson County, West Virginia, having been heretofore, to wit, on the 18th day of August, 1938, partly proven before the Clerk of this Court, by the oath of P. S. Millard, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to lie in said office for further proof, was this day, August 26th, 1938, presented to the Court, and fully proven by Emily A. M. Stanley, the other subscribing witness thereto, who made oath in due form of law, that the aforesaid testator, in her presence, and in the presence of the other subscribing witness thereto, viz: P. S. Millard, published and declared said writing as and for his Last Will and Testament, that she and the said P. S. Millard subscribed their names as witnesses thereto, at the request of the said testator, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, all signing at the same time, that she believes said testator was of sound sense and memory at the time of so doing, and over the age of twenty-one years.

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Thereupon it is ordered that said writing be recorded as and for the Last Will and testament of Lawrence H. Welsh, deceased.

S. T. Knott

President of County Court of Jefferson
County, West Virginia.